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THE SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE British Medical Association,

TORONTO, CANADA, AUGUST 21st to 25th, 1906.

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PROGRAMME OF BUSINESS.

An Address in Medicine will be delivered by Sir JAMES BARR, M.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.S.E.

An Address in Surgery will be delivered by Sir VICTOR HORSLEY, M.B., F.R.C.S., F.R.S.

An Address in Obstetrics will be delivered by WALTER SPENCER ANDERSON GRIFFITH, M.D., F.R.C.P.

THE SECTIONS.

There will be 13 Sections as shown in the subjoined list; they will meet on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, August 21st, 22nd, 23rd and 24th, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

The President, Vice-Presidents, and Secretaries of each Section constitute a Committee of Reference for that Section.

Papers read are the property of the British Medical Association, and cannot be published elsewhere than in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL *without special permission.*

No paper must exceed 15 minutes in reading, and no subsequent speech 10 minutes.

It is requested that copies of any papers offered in any

of the Sections might be supplied to one of the Honorary Secretaries of the Section not later than May 15th, accompanied by a short abstract, in order that such abstract may be printed and circulated before the meeting.

ANATOMY.

President: Professor ARTHUR ROBINSON, M.D., Birmingham.

Vice-Presidents: Professor ALEXANDER PRIMROSE, M.B., C.M., Toronto; DAVID EDWARD MUNDELL, B.A., M.D., C.M., Kingston; DONALD ARMOUR, F.R.C.S., London.

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President: J. DUNDAS GRANT, M.D., London.

Vice-Presidents: GEORGE R. MCDONAGH, M.B., L.R.C.P., Toronto; HERBERT STANLEY BIRKETT, M.D., C.M., Montreal; JOHN MACINTYRE, M.B., Glasgow; HUGH EDWARD JONES, M.R.C.S., Liverpool.

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The following subjects have been selected for discussion:

Tuesday, August 21st.—On Blood Pressure in Relation to Disease. The subject will be treated under the following headings: (*a*) Physiological Introduction, by Dr. Percy M. Dawson (Baltimore). (*b*) Clinical Methods of Investigating Blood Pressure, by Dr. G. A. Gibson (Edinburgh). (*c*) Pathology and Therapeutics of Morbid Blood Pressure, by Sir Wm. Broadbent. (*d*) The Relation of Blood Pressure to Arterial Sclerosis, by Professor Clifford Allbutt. The following will also take part: Dr. Mackenzie (Burnley), Sir James Barr, Dr. Theodore Janeway (New York), Dr. Rudolf (Toronto), and others.

Wednesday, August 22nd.—A joint discussion with the Physiology Section on Over-nutrition and Under-nutrition, with special reference to Proteid Metabolism, to be opened by Professor Chittenden (Yale).

Thursday, August 23rd.—Papers on Heart Block, by Dr. Mackenzie (Burnley), Dr. G. A. Gibson, Dr. Erlanger, Professor Osler, and others.

Friday, August 24th.—Papers.

OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY.

President: A. H. FREELAND BARBOUR, M.D., Edinburgh.

Vice-Presidents: Professor JAMES ALGERNON TEMPLE, M.D., C.M., Toronto; Professor ADAM H. WRIGHT, B.A., M.B., Toronto; Professor WILLIAM GARDNER, M.D., Montreal; T. ARTHUR HELME, M.D., Manchester.

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It has been arranged that on August 21st, 22nd, and 23rd the first part of the meeting be devoted to a discussion on the following subjects:

Tuesday, August 21st.—Hyperemesis Gravidarum.

Wednesday, August 22nd.—The Changes in Uterine Fibroids after the Menopause, with Special Reference to Operation.

Thursday, August 23rd.—The Appendix Vermiformis in Relation to Pelvic Inflammation.

Friday, August 24th.—Papers, etc.

Dr. J. C. Cameron, of Montreal, will introduce the discussion on August 21st; Dr. Charles A. L. Reid will probably introduce that on August 22nd; and Dr. T. Arthur Helme will introduce that on August 23rd.

OPHTHALMOLOGY.

President: ROBERT MARCUS GUNN, F.R.C.S., London.

Vice-Presidents: GEORGE HERBERT BURNHAM, M.D., F.R.C.S.E., Toronto; JOHN W. STIRLING, M.D., Montreal; JOSEPH NELSON, M.D., Belfast; ARNOLD LAWSON, F.R.C.S., London.

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The subjects which have been chosen for discussion are:

Tuesday, August 21st.—Rare Forms of Choroiditis. To be opened by Mr. J. B. Lawford (London). The following will also take part: Dr. Hill Griffith (Manchester), Dr. H. Knapp (New York), and Dr. C. Bull (New York).

Wednesday, August 22nd.—Sympathetic Ophthalmia. To be opened by Dr. G. H. Burnham (Toronto). The following will also take part: Mr. Arnold Lawson (London) and Dr. J. W. Stirling (Montreal).

Thursday, August 23rd.—Affections of the Lachrymal Passages. To be opened by Dr. Desjardines (Montreal). The following will take part in the discussion: Dr. Risley (Philadelphia) and Dr. Theobald (Baltimore).

Friday, August 24th.—Visual Tests for Public Services. (*a*) Marine and Railroad Services. To be opened by Dr. T. H. Bickerton (Liverpool). Dr. Williams, jun. (Boston), Dr. Thompson, sen. (Philadelphia), and Dr. Allport (Chicago) will also take part. (*b*) Military Services. To be opened by Mr. Arnold Lawson (London).

PAEDIATRICS.

President: GEORGE ALEXANDER SUTHERLAND, M.D., London.

Vice-Presidents: HENRY T. MACHELL, M.D., L.R.C.P., Toronto; ALLAN M. BAINES, M.B., Toronto; OTTO JACKSON KAUFFMANN, M.D., Birmingham; H. BETHAM ROBINSON, M.S., London.

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The Section will meet on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (August 21st, 22nd, 23rd, and 24th), at 9.30 a.m., adjourning at 12.30 p.m. each day.

The following preliminary arrangements have been made:

A discussion on Congenital Pyloric Stenosis. The medical aspects of the subject will be introduced by Dr. Edmund Cautley (London), and the surgical aspects will be introduced by Mr. Harold J. Stiles (Edinburgh).

A discussion on Pneumococcal Infection. The medical aspects of the subject will be introduced by Dr. Henry Ashby (Manchester).

It is hoped that a Clinical Demonstration of interesting cases in one of the Toronto hospitals may be arranged.

PATHOLOGY AND BACTERIOLOGY.

President: Professor J. G. ADAMI, M.D., F.R.S., Montreal.

Vice-Presidents: Professor JOHN J. MACKENZIE, B.A., M.B., Toronto; Professor WALTER THOMAS CONNELL, M.D., C.M., Kingston; INGERSOLL OLMSTED, M.D., Hamilton; Professor ROBERT FRASER CALDER LEITH, M.B., Birmingham.

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The following preliminary arrangements have been made:

Tuesday.—On Nuclear Pathology and Physiology, to be

opened by Professor Adami and Dr. McCallum, and followed by Dr. Gustav Mann (Oxford), Professor E. Wace Carlier (Birmingham), and Professor A. S. F. Grünbaum (Leeds).

Wednesday.—Etiology and Life-history of Malignant New Growths. To be opened by Professor H R. Gaylord (Buffalo); Professor Clowes (Buffalo) and Drs. Buxton and Beebie (New York), and others are expected to take part in the discussion.

Thursday.—The Forms of Arterio-sclerosis, their Classification and Experimental Production. To be opened by Professor W. H. Welch (Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore), Dr. Klotz (Montreal), and Dr. J. J. MacKenzie (Toronto); and followed by Professor L. Aschoff (Freiburg), Professor Leith (Birmingham), Professor Clifford Allbutt (Cambridge), Professor W. Osler (Oxford), Professor Adami (Montreal), and others.

Friday.—Papers upon Pathogenic Protozoa, by Professor Gary N. Calkins (New York), Dr. Mott (London), and Dr. J. Ballah.

Arrangements will be made for the exhibition in the Pathological Museum of specimens illustrating the work of the section. Members wishing to exhibit material or photographs should communicate with Dr. N. E. Abbott, McGill Medical College, Montreal.

Those who propose taking part in the discussions are requested to send in their papers, accompanied by a short abstract, to the Honorary Secretaries not later than May 15th, in order that the abstracts may be printed and circulated before the meeting. Papers from members in the United Kingdom and Europe should be sent to Dr. Bushnell, and those from members in the Dominion of Canada or the United States of America, etc., to Dr. Silverthorn or Dr. Parsons.

PHYSIOLOGY.

President: Professor WM. DOBINSON HALLIBURTON, M.D., F.R.S., London.

Vice-Presidents: Professor ARCHIBALD B. MACALLUM, M.A., M.B., F.R.S., Toronto; Professor WESLEY MILLS, M.A., M.D., Montreal; Professor CHARLES SCOTT SHERRINGTON, M.D., F.R.S., Liverpool.

Honorary Secretaries: HERBERT E. ROAF, M.D., The Bio-Chemical Department, The University, Liverpool; GUSTAV MANN, M.D., 25, Beechcroft Road, Oxford.

A large number of prominent American physiologists have accepted invitations to attend, and British physiologists will thus have the opportunity of making the personal acquaintance of their American colleagues. Several French physiologists have also signified their intention to be present, and it is hoped that other foreigners may also accept the invitations sent to them.

A joint discussion on the Rôle of the Nucleus in Nutrition with the Section of Pathology has been arranged, and another joint discussion with the Section of Medicine will also take place, the subject being Over-nutrition and Under-nutrition, with special relation to Proteid Metabolism in Health and Disease. This will be opened by Professor Chittenden.

PSYCHOLOGY.

President: WM. JULIUS MICKLE, M.D., London.

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The following subjects have been selected for special discussion in the Section of Psychology:

General Paralysis.
Epilepsy.
Dementia Praecox.
Psychology and Medicine.

STATE MEDICINE.

President: FREDERICK MONTIZAMBERT, I.S.O., F.R.C.S.E., D.C.L., M.D., Ottawa.

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The following special subjects have been suggested for discussion:

Protection and Control of Milk Supply.
Prevention of Tuberculosis.
Training and Supervision of Midwives.
Notification of Phthisis.
Provision and Administration of Isolation Hospitals.
Isolation Hospitals and "Return" Cases.
Medical Inspection of Children attending Elementary Schools.
Quarantine and Inspection of Shipping.
Medical Examination of Immigrants.
Supply of "Water Gas" and Dangers of Carbon Monoxide Poisoning.

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Arrangements have been made for special discussions on the following subjects:

The Surgical Treatment of Ascites Secondary to Chronic Hepatitis.
Prostatectomy.
Duodenal Ulcer.
Peritonitis.

THERAPEUTICS.

President: DONALD MACALISTER, M.D., Cambridge.

Vice-Presidents: JOHN LORENZO DAVISON, B.A., M.D., C.M., Toronto; ALEXANDER D. BLACKADER, B.A., M.D., Montreal; Sir ALAN REEVE MANBY, M.V.O., M.D., East Rudham; Professor J. ROSE BRADFORD, M.D., F.R.S., London.

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The following subjects have been selected for discussion:

Tuesday, August 21st.—The Kidney, its Pharmacology and Therapeutics.

Wednesday, August 22nd.—Serumtherapy.

Thursday, August 23rd.—Joint Session with the Section of Medicine on the subject of Heart-block.

Friday, August 24th.—The Place of Materia Medica and Therapeutics in the Medical Curriculum.

The Secretaries will be glad to receive specimens, drawings, tracings, or preparations for exhibition during the session.

HONORARY LOCAL SECRETARIES.

FREDERIC NEWTON GISBORNE STARR, M.B., Medical Building, Toronto.
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MAUDE ABBOTT, B.A., M.D., Montreal, *Secretary.*
Professor GORDON BELL, M.D., Winnipeg.
Professor W. T. CONNELL, M.D., Kingston.
ANDREW ROBERTSON GORDON, M.B., Toronto.
J. A. McGREGOR, M.D., London, Ontario.

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HONORARY LOCAL TREASURER.

Professor J. W. Ross, Toronto.

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PROGRAMME OF PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21ST, 1906.

9.30—12.30 a.m.—Meetings of Sections.
2.30 p.m.—Address on Obstetrics, Dr. W. S. A. Griffith.
4.30 p.m.—Garden Parties.
8 p.m.—Address of Welcome; Introduction of Guests, Delegates, etc.; and President's Address.
9.30 p.m.—Reception by the Lieutenant-Governor in the Parliament Buildings.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22ND.

9.30—12.30 a.m.—Meetings of Sections.
2.30 p.m.—Address on Medicine, Sir James Barr, M.D.
4.30 p.m.—Garden Parties.
8.30 p.m.—Address on Surgery, Sir Victor Horsley, F.R.S.
9.30 p.m.—Reception.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23RD.

9.30—12.30 a.m.—Sectional Meetings.
4.30 p.m.—Garden Parties.
7.30 p.m.—Annual Dinner.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24TH.

9.30—12.30 a.m.—Sectional Meetings.
2.30 p.m.—General Meetings.
4.30 p.m.—Garden Parties.
Excursions.
8.30 p.m.—Soirée.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25TH.

Excursions to the Niagara Power Company's plant, through the courtesy of Sir Henry M. Pellatt.
Excursion to Muskoka.
Excursion to Lambton, through the courtesy of the President, Mr. Austin.

Meetings of Branches & Divisions.

[*The proceedings of the Divisions and Branches of the Association relating to Scientific and Clinical Medicine, when reported by the Honorary Secretaries, are published in the body of the* JOURNAL.]

BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH.

THE spring meeting of this Branch was held at the Keswick Hotel, Keswick, on May 4th. In the unavoidable absence of the President, Vice-President, and the President-Elect, the chair was taken by Dr. J. W. CRERAR of Maryport.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes were read, approved, and signed.

Apologies for Absence.—Apologies for absence were intimated from the President (Sir James Crichton-Browne), Vice-President (Dr. Barnes of Carlisle), and the President-Elect (Dr. Bowser of Penrith); also from Drs. Bell, Donald, Doughty, G. B. Muriel, G. J. Muriel, Logan, and Powers.

Branch Representative on Central Council.—The CHAIRMAN then intimated that the election of the Branch's Representative upon the Central Council would shortly take place, and that he had pleasure in announcing that Dr. Maxwell Ross of Dumfries had agreed to allow himself to be again nominated for the post—an announcement that was received with great satisfaction by the meeting. The Chairman went on to say that at the meeting of the Branch Council which had just taken place it had been resolved to approach the Council of the North Lancashire and South Westmorland Branch with a view to altering the terms of the subsisting agreement between that Branch and the Border Counties Branch. He pointed out that it was understood between the two Branches at present that each Branch was in turn to have the right of nominating the Representative upon the Central Council for four years successively. Last year, however, the term for which it was possible for any member to sit upon that Council had been reduced to six years instead of eight, and it was thought that it would be better to extend the terms of the agreement between the Branches to that time and so allow each Branch a full term of membership. A resolution confirming the action of the Council was then passed *nem. con.*

Registration of Nurses.—A motion standing in the name of the President, Sir J. Crichton-Browne, and dealing with the proposed composition of the Central Board to supervise the registration, etc., of nurses, was then discussed, and it was agreed that this was a very important question, and that it would be as well to ask the different Divisions of the Branch to consider the following (draft) resolution, and report to the Branch Council:

> The members of the Border Counties Branch beg to record their opinion that on any Central Board formed by legislative enactment to supervise the education, registration, and discipline of nurses, there should be medical representatives, at least equal in number to the representatives of the nursing body.

Another matter which had been brought before the Council that day was also mentioned by the Chairman, namely, the advisability of revising the boundaries of some of the Divisions in the light of the experience gained during the past three years. The Council had, he said, agreed to go into this matter, and had appointed a Subcommittee to deal with the question and report to it.

The meeting confirmed the action of its Council.

Dinner.—After the conclusion of the meeting the members dined together in the hotel.

NORTH CUMBERLAND DIVISION.

A MEETING of the Division was held as the George Hotel, Penrith, on Friday, April 6th, at 3 p.m. The Council met at 2.45 p.m. Dr. BOWSER of Penrith was in the chair.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes of the last meeting having been read and approved were signed by the Chairman.

Matters referred to Divisions.—The various matters referred to the Divisions which had been printed in the SUPPLEMENTS of the JOURNAL from July 22nd, 1905, to March 31st, 1906, were then read over by the CHAIRMAN and laid before the meeting. Some discussion took place on the recommendation on ambulance work, and it was finally resolved that in this Division the matter remain *in statu quo*. The draft Royal Charter for the Association was then discussed, and it was unanimously resolved to recommend that a clause be inserted in Paragraph 2 authorizing the formation of (*a*) a circulating medical library; and (*b*) social club houses in London and other large centres if such be desired.

Rules of Central Midwives Board.—The CHAIRMAN intimated that the Subcommittee appointed to consider the rules of the Central Midwives Board reported that in its opinion no change was necessary. This was confirmed.

Division Areas.—The CHAIRMAN further stated that the Division Committee had resolved to request the Branch Council to reconsider the Division areas in the light of the experience gained during the three years' working under the new organization. This action was also confirmed by the meeting.

Communications.—Dr. SYME showed (*a*) a patient operated on for suppuration in both frontal sinuses and in the right maxillary antrum; (*b*) a case of laryngeal paralysis; (*c*) a patient on whom the radical mastoid operation was performed for urgent symptoms. Dr. EDINGTON read a paper on serumtherapeutics with special reference to pernicious anaemia; cases were shown with charts. Dr. DONALD read a paper on auto-intoxication in goître. Dr. SEDGWICK reported a case of Banti's disease, with a brief note on blood examination. All the papers were followed by interesting discussions.

Dinner.—Several of the members dined together after the meeting.

GIBRALTAR BRANCH.

A GENERAL meeting of the members of this Branch was held on April 20th, Colonel MCNAMARA, P.M.O., in the chair.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

History of the Branch.—Dr. L. D. PARSONS, Assistant Surgeon, Colonial Hospital, and Port Surgeon, Gibraltar, gave a short sketch of the Branch since its organization. The last meeting of the Branch was held in October, 1899. The present meeting was convened for the purpose of admitting new members, electing office bearers, and settling the agenda for the next ordinary meeting of the Branch.

Resignation of Honorary Secretary.—The Honorary Secretary, Dr. ABRINES, then tendered his resignation, and stated that he had already handed over to Dr. Parsons the papers relating to the Branch, together with a small sum remaining of the funds.

Election of Officers.—The following office-bearers were elected:—*President:* Colonel J. McNamara, R.A.M.C. *Vice-President:* Deputy-Inspector-General J. Porter, C.B. *Honorary Secretary and Treasurer:* Dr. L. D. Parsons. *Members of Council:* Lieutenant-Colonel D. V. O'Connell, R.A.M.C., Major Robinson, R.A.M.C., Dr. N. Oman, Dr. Abrines, Dr. Fairbank.

Meetings.—It was decided that the meetings of the Branch should be held quarterly unless otherwise specially notified. The meetings will be held in the Board Room of the Colonial Hospital, or such other place as may from time to time be decided upon. The hour of meeting will be 5 p.m.

Next Meeting.—The next meeting was fixed for the last Thursday in May (31st).

Complimentary Member.—Dr. Oliva, a local Spanish practitioner, was proposed as a complimentary member by Dr. ABRINES, seconded by Dr. OMAN, and unanimously elected.

Vote of Thanks.—The meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman.

GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND BRANCH:
LANARKSHIRE DIVISION.

A MEETING of this Division was held on April 27th in the Royal Hotel, Hamilton. Dr. BRUCE GOFF presided.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes of the last meeting were read, and after a slight addition suggested by Dr. ROBERTSON, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Letters.—The SECRETARY read two letters received by the Division, one of which he was instructed to answer; the Division appointed a small committee to answer the other.

Financial Statement.—The SECRETARY read his annual report, which showed that the income of the Division was £5 8s., being at the rate of 1s. 6d. per head on 72 members. The expenditure was £4 13s. 10d., leaving a balance of 14s. 2d.

Election of Officers.—The following officers were elected: *Chairman,* Dr. Bruce Goff (Bothwell); *Vice-Chairman,* Dr Millar (Uddingston); *Secretary,* Dr. Livingstone Loudon (Hamilton); *Representative to Representative Meeting,* Dr. Goff; *Representatives to Branch Council,* Drs. Service and Loudon; *Council,* Dr. Kirkland, Dr. Crawford, Dr. Jack, Dr. Kerr (Hartwood), Dr. Lindsay.

Matters referred to Divisions.—The following decisions were come to in regard to matters referred to the Division:

(*a*) Recommendations of Science Co-ordination Committee. The Division determined to do nothing.
(*b*) Question of out-patient departments in hospitals. The Division generally approved.
(*c*) Division libraries. Division determined to do nothing.
(*d*) Draft Royal Charter. Generally approved.
(*e*) Recommendations of Committee on Contract Practice. Not approved by Division.

HALIFAX (NOVA SCOTIA) BRANCH.

THE regular fortnightly meeting of the Branch was held at the City Council Chamber on February 28th.

Proposed Grouping of Branches.—Pursuant to a communication from the Medical Secretary regarding the proposed grouping of this Branch with those of Bermuda and Montreal for the election of one representative on the Central Council, a resolution was passed deprecating such action, and the Secretary was instructed to communicate to the Medical Secretary the views of the Branch in this matter.

Model Tenements.—The PRESIDENT introduced the Rev. Dr. Armitage, who addressed the Branch, setting forth a proposition for the erection of a block of model tenements in Halifax, and asking the interest and support of the medical profession. A Committee was appointed to investigate and report on the subject.

Papers.—C. DICKIE MURRAY, M.B., read a paper entitled The Medical Examination of Immigrants, giving a clear account of the working of the United States Immigration Service at Halifax.—Dr. A. C. HAWKINS followed with a short paper on The Diseases of Immigrants. The two papers were discussed together.

A meeting was held on March 14th.

Registration of Births.—A committee was appointed to interview the proper authorities with a view to securing compulsory registration of births at Halifax.

Model Tenements.—The Committee *re* model tenements reported strongly in favour of the proposition, which was therefore on motion heartily endorsed.

Patent Medicine Legislation.—A Committee was appointed to investigate the patent medicine question, with a view to securing any necessary legislation.

Paper.—Dr. G. L. SINCLAIR, Government Inspector of Humane and Penal Institutions, read a short paper entitled The Medical Aspects of Hypnotism, supplementing it with a series of demonstrations of hypnotic phenomena, using as subjects several of the gentlemen present.

New Members.—At the close of the regular meeting, the Branch Council elected sixteen new members.

On March 28th the Branch met at the Halifax Hotel.

Practising Opticians.—The action of certain practising opticians at Halifax in prescribing eye-drops and ointment in certain cases was condemned, and it was decided to bring the cases reported to the notice of the Provincial Medical Board.

Papers.—Dr. E. A. KIRKPATRICK read a paper entitled Nasal Obstruction: Its Effects, Prevention, and Cure. Discussion followed. Dr. W. N. EAGAR read a paper entitled Congenital Hypertrophic Pyloric Stenosis. He claimed that this condition was usually considered rare only because most cases are undiagnosed, and that it was really responsible for a good many of the cases of "marasmus" so-called.

New Members.—The Branch Council, after this meeting, elected eight new members, and re-elected one former member.

On April 11th the final meeting for the year was held.

Registration of Births.—The Committee *re* birth registration reported satisfactory progress in securing legislation.

Patent Medicine Legislation.—The Committee *re* patent medicine legislation reported that their Bill had passed its second reading in the Legislature.

Exhibit.—JOHN STEWART, M.B., exhibited Luys's segregator, explaining its uses, and stating his experience with the instrument.

Physical Deterioration.—The programme for the evening concluded with a discussion on physical deterioration, taken part in by Dr. A. P. REID, Provincial Health Officer, and others.

New Members.—The Branch Council elected seven new members.

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH.
THE FINANCES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

A GENERAL meeting of this Branch was held in the Memorial Hall, Albert Square, Manchester, on Thursday, May 3rd, at 4.15 p.m., to consider the present state of the finances of the Association, the chair being taken by the PRESIDENT, Sir James Barr, M.D.

The following resolutions, which had been unanimously adopted by the Council of the Branch, were considered:

1. This Council views with alarm the serious decrease in the surplus funds of the Association during the past year, and urges upon the Central Council the absolute necessity of curtailing the expenses in the several departments, notably that of the Medical Secretary.

2. This Council instructs the Representative of the Branch to bring the matter before the Council of the Association.
3. That the action of our members on the Council of the Association be approved, and that they be thanked for their services in opposing unnecessary expense in the organizing department of the Association, and further that this Branch Council hopes that they will continue in such action.
4. That in the opinion of this Council it is desirable that the Medical Secretary should devote his attention to organizing and advisory, and not to clerical, work.

Resolution 1.—It was proposed and seconded that Resolution 1 be approved; whereupon an amendment was moved and seconded—

To omit the last six words, "notably that of the Medical Secretary."

The amendment, having been put from the Chair, was declared to have been lost. On the motion being put as the substantive resolution, a further amendment was moved and seconded:

To substitute for the last six words the following, "notably those of the Editor and the Medical Secretary, and of increasing the income."

The amendment, having been put from the Chair, was declared to have been lost. On the original motion being put as the substantive resolution it was declared to be carried.

Resolution 2 was approved.

Resolution 3.—It was proposed and seconded that Resolution 3 be approved, whereupon an amendment was moved and seconded—

To delete the words "in the organizing department of the Association."

The amendment, having been put from the Chair, was declared to have been lost. On the motion being put as the substantive resolution it was declared to be carried.

Resolution 4 was approved.

CHESTER AND CREWE DIVISION.

Annual Meeting.

THE annual meeting of the Chester Division was held in the Chester General Infirmary at 6 p.m. on May 4th.

Minutes.—The minutes of the last annual meeting as reported in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL were taken as read.

Alteration of Rules.—Mr. TAYLOR moved and Dr. STOLTERFORTH seconded the deletion of the latter half of Rule 6 of the Division Rules. This was modified by Dr. MANN to read, instead of the latter half: "The Chairman not to hold office for more than two consecutive years." This, on being put to the meeting, was carried.

Report of Executive Committee.—The Executive Committee's report was then read and approved.

Election of Officers.—The officers for the ensuing year were elected. It was proposed by Dr. MANN and seconded by Mr. TAYLOR that Mr. Granger be re-elected Chairman. It was proposed by Dr. KING and seconded by Dr. JEPHCOTT that Dr. Laird (Crewe) be elected Vice-Chairman. It was proposed by Mr. TAYLOR and seconded by Dr. MANN that Dr. King be re-elected Honorary Secretary and Treasurer. It was proposed by Dr. KING, and seconded by Dr. STOLTERFORTH, that Dr. Parry be elected the Representative at Representative Meetings. It was proposed by Mr. TAYLOR and seconded by Dr. STOLTERFORTH, that Mr. Granger and Dr. King be the Representatives on the Branch Council. It was proposed by Dr. STOLTERFORTH and seconded by Dr. KING that Mr. Taylor and Drs. Mann and Robinson (Runcorn), and Dr. Grey (Crewe) be members of the Executive Committee. These were all agreed to *nem. con.*

Proposed Application for a Charter.—This question was then discussed. It was decided that it be left to the discretion of the Representatives: this to apply after further discussion, to all matters which might come before the Representative Meeting. This concluded the business of the meeting.

Clinical and Pathological.—An interesting clinical and pathological meeting had been held immediately before the meeting by the Chester Medical Society.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH:

HAMPSTEAD DIVISION.

AN extra meeting of this Division was held on Friday, April 27th, at 5 p.m., at St. Mary's Schools, Church End, Finchley (the first meeting held there), Mr. F. R. HUMPHREYS in the chair.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read.

Nominations for Officers.—The HONORARY SECRETARY read a letter from Dr. F. J. Smith (honorary secretary, Metropolitan Counties Branch) asking for nominations for election of Branch Council officers. Dr. FORD ANDERSON proposed and Dr. OPPENHEIMER seconded that Mr. Humphreys should be nominated as one of the Vice-Presidents, Dr. Smith as Senior Secretary, Mr. H. W. Armit as Junior Secretary, or, failing the latter, Dr. Goodall.

General Medical Council Election.—A letter was received from the Honorary Secretary of the Wandsworth Division with respect to the election for the General Medical Council. It was decided to defer consideration of this to a later date.

Cottage Hospitals.—A discussion took place on this subject with special reference to proposed formation of a cottage hospital at Finchley. Dr. FORD ANDERSON said that our object should be to establish hospitals for the good of the community which shall satisfy the aspirations of the medical profession. He warned Finchley members to beware of initial faulty conditions. "Initial errors of disposition prove fatal beyond belief," as a great general had said. Started on improper lines the evils would increase like a "snowball." The interests of the medical profession must be considered. He had examined the reports of twenty-five cottage hospitals and he found the Finchley scheme one of the best as regards the rules laid down. A basal rule should be: "That there shall be adequate representation of the medical profession on the management of the hospital." Representatives should be annually elected by some organized body which would obtain the suffrages of the professsion. It was not proposed at Finchley to have an out-patient department, and that was wise. As regard the casualty department, they must bear in mind, however, that nothing was so much abused as casualties. As regards medical staff, his idea was that all the medical men in the neighbourhood should be entitled to treat patients in the hospital. He thought that there should be no fixed staff, but that medical men should be elected from month to month to deal with casualties. There should be no subscribers' letters. As regards paying patients, a few beds should be reserved for these, and patients might pay for maintenance according to their means. A cottage hospital should enable us to treat our patients on the same lines as in private practice, with all the advantages of a hospital added.—Mr. NOCKOLDS, in proposing a vote of thanks to Dr. Anderson, said he was very glad to hear that he approved of the proposed rules.—Dr. DILL RUSSELL, in seconding the vote of thanks to Dr. Anderson, said that he would pay special attention to the question of adequate representation of the medical profession on the management—a point not clearly defined in the rules drawn up. He would like to know what Dr. Anderson considered adequate representation. — Dr. ANDERSON expressed the opinion that five out of twenty, or one-third of the members of the Board, should be medical men. For admission to the hospital patients must be financially and medically suitable. Subscribers had no right to dictate to the professsion as to who should be admitted. They must not expect a *quid pro quo* for money given as charity. He thought that laparotomies and other major operations should be done by consultants acting as a consulting staff only.—Dr. RUSSELL thought that the general practitioners at Finchley should do all the operations.—Dr. OPPENHEIMER agreed with Dr. Anderson on the question of consultants. He thought the tendency of general practitioners towards universal specialism was as bad as the tendency of consultants to act as general practitioners.

ST. PANCRAS AND ISLINGTON DIVISION.

A MEETING was held at the St. Pancras Workhouse on Friday, April 27th, Dr. FRANCIS J. BUCKELL of Canonbury in the chair.

Nominations for Vacancies.—The following members were nominated to fill vacant offices on the Branch Council: Drs. Lauriston E. Shaw, as President; F. J. Buckell, as a Vice-President; F. J. Smith, as Secretary; and Betham Robinson, Treasurer. Drs. Walter Smith and Buckell were nominated as candidates for the membership of the Council of the Association. Drs. Theobald and Yeld were

chosen to attend the proposed conference on the selection of candidates for membership of the Central Council.

Proposed Royal Charter.—Mr. WHITAKER, Medical Secretary of the Association, gave an address explaining the terms of the Draft Royal Charter, and answered questions as to the changes it would bring about if adopted. Dr. WALTER SMITH, who has made a deep study of the Draft Charter, raised many questions upon the advantages and disadvantages of the proposals; he objected to the Council having unlimited power in spending money; to the restriction of the power of meeting to this country and the colonies; to the absence of any scheme for the formation of a club for medical men, and of the provision of a large hall for meetings. He raised the question of the payment of arrears of subscriptions, and of what was meant by "the honour and interests of the profession" in Ordinance 17. He thought the period of twenty-eight days within which the Council must meet—see Section IV, 17 (*a*) and (*e*)—was too short. Mr. WHITAKER explained that the present period was only seven days. Dr. BUCKELL called attention to the serious under-representation of large Divisions upon the Council, and suggested an extra representative for each additional 300 instead of 600 members. In the end the Division approved the application for a Charter unanimously, and also approved the terms of the Draft Charter in general, but was unable to accept all the clauses in detail. Several amendments were carried.

Hampstead General Hospital.—Drs. THEOBALDS and YELD reported on the results of a conference held to consider the question of out-patient practice at the general hospital at Hampstead, and a series of resolutions was adopted *nem. con.* as drawn up by the conference.

Vote of Thanks.—A vote of thanks to Dr. THACKRAY for providing refreshments was duly passed.

Annual Meeting.—The SECRETARY announced that the next meeting would be the annual meeting for election of officers, etc., and would be held on May 25th at the Islington Infirmary on Highgate Hill, by the invitation of Dr. Robinson.

WESTMINSTER DIVISION.

A MEETING was held at 20, Hanover Square, on Thursday, May 3rd, at 8.30 p.m., Dr. HASLIP in the chair.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence.—A letter received from the Secretary of Charing Cross Hospital was read in reply to the one the Honorary Secretary of the Division had been instructed to write, drawing the attention of the Hospital to the resolution passed at the last meeting of the Division in reference to the fact that members of the resident hospital staff had left the institution, for the purpose of viewing dead bodies.

Central Council Election.—Communications from the Wandsworth Division were read, inviting this Division to send two representatives to take part in a meeting to be held in which representatives from all Divisions of the Metropolitan Counties Branch should arrange to support the candidature of general practitioners for the Central Council election. After considerable discussion as to the definitions of consultants and general practitioners, it was decided to send two representatives, and they were instructed to put forward the name of Dr. Haslip as a candidate. Dr. Donald Baynes and Dr. Bruce Porter were then elected representatives.

Hospital Abuse.—The meeting then proceeded to the consideration of Dr. Ford Anderson's paper on hospital abuse, which had been published in the SUPPLEMENT for June 3rd, 1905. The four resolutions which had been carried at the meeting before which this paper had been read were one by one discussed. The discussion was chiefly carried on by the CHAIRMAN, Dr. CAUTLEY, Dr. DAUBER, Dr. BRUCE PORTER, Dr. LONGHURST, and Dr. DONALD BAYNES. The resolutions were then put separately to the meeting, and were carried.

Proposed Royal Charter.—It was decided to postpone the consideration of the Royal Charter to a future meeting.

NORTH WALES BRANCH.

A MEETING of the Branch was held at the Westminster Hotel, Rhyl, on Tuesday, April 24th, at 2 p.m., Dr. EMYR O. PRICE (Bangor), President, in the chair.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed, and signed.

Report of Branch Council.—The HONORARY SECRETARY (Mr. H. Jones Roberts) read the report of the Branch Council, which was received and adopted.

Financial Statement.—The financial statement for the year 1905, which showed a balance to the credit of the Branch of £1 0s. 5d., was received and adopted.

The Jones Morris Memorial Fund.—The HONORARY SECRETARY reported that the total amount of the subscriptions received was £100 15s. It was resolved:

> That another and final appeal be made to those members who have not yet subscribed, and that the subscription list be closed the end of June, in order that the form which the memorial shall take may be decided upon at the annual meeting of the Branch to be held in July.

The Medical Officership of Bangor Workhouse.—Dr. GREY EDWARDS (Bangor) brought to the notice of the meeting the position taken up by the medical profession at Bangor in regard to the vacancy in the medical officership of the Bangor workhouse. The guardians having refused to increase the salary of £50 previously attached to the appointment, the local practitioners agreed not to apply for the post unless the salary was increased to £70. This the guardians had been forced to do at their last meeting, and it was considered that the field should be left clear to the three local practitioners who were applying for the appointment at the increased rate of pay. It was resolved:

> That this meeting approves of the action of the profession at Bangor in relation to the appointment of a medical officer to the Bangor Workhouse, and wishes it ultimate and complete success.

Papers:—Cancer in North Wales.—Dr. RICHARD JONES, D.P.H. (Blaenau Festiniog): On the Prevalence of Cancer in North Wales—a Statistical Inquiry. A discussion followed, in which the PRESIDENT, Drs. JOHN ROBERTS (Menai Bridge), W. PERMEWAN (Liverpool), and J. LLOYD ROBERTS (Colwyn Bay), took part. It was resolved:

> That in the opinion of this Branch it is desirable that the vital statistics for England and Wales, as prepared by the Registrar-General, be separately prepared for Wales—namely, for South Wales and Monmouthshire and North Wales. A copy of this resolution to be forwarded to the Local Government Board.

The following papers were also read: Mr. J. HOWELL EVANS, F.R.C.S. (London): Rebellious Uterine Haemorrhage, illustrated by a number of pathological specimens; in the discussion which followed, Professor BRIGGS, Drs. HILL ABRAM, PERMEWAN, RICHARD JONES, and H. JONES ROBERTS took part. Mr. G. F. NEWBOLT, F.R.C.S. (Liverpool): Some Remarks on Four Consecutive and Successful Operations for Perforated Gastric Ulcer. Dr. G. A. CRACE-CALVERT (Ruthin): Obervations on the Opsonic Index of Tuberculous Patients undergoing Sanatorium Treatment. Dr. J. HILL ABRAM (Liverpool): Some Cases of Intrathoracic Tumour. Dr. J. LLOYD ROBERTS (Liverpool): On Colitis Sinistra. Mr. J. HOWELL EVANS (London) gave a Lantern Demonstration illustrating Injuries to the Fetal Head at Birth which produce Intracranial or Extracranial Haemorrhages.

Vote of Thanks.—The PRESIDENT proposed, the HONORARY SECRETARY seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:

> That a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to the readers of papers, the meeting having been one of the most interesting in the history of the Branch.

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH

CARDIFF DIVISION.

AN ordinary general meeting of this Division was held at the Cardiff Infirmary on Thursday, April 26th, Dr. D. R. PATERSON in the chair.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes of the last ordinary general meeting were read and confirmed.

Proposed Royal Charter.—The proposed Royal Charter was briefly explained by the SENIOR SECRETARY (Dr. Ewen J. Maclean), and it was unanimously resolved:

> That the Cardiff Division approves of the proposed application for a Royal Charter of Incorporation to the British Medical Association.

Proposed State Registration of Nurses.—The recommendations drafted by the Select Committee of the House of Commons were read, and, after some discussion, it was unanimously resolved:

1. That the Cardiff Division approves in general of the method of registration for nurses proposed by the Select Committee of the House of Commons.
2. That the Cardiff Division approves of the separate registration of midwifery nurses.

SOUTH-WESTERN BRANCH:

BARNSTAPLE DIVISION.

THE annual meeting of this Division was held at the Queen's Hotel, Ilfracombe, on Wednesday, April 18th, Dr. E. J. TOYE in the chair.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Annual Report.—The HONORARY SECRETARY presented his annual report, which showed that the membership of the Division remained about stationary, but that there was a very marked increase in the attendance of members at the meetings, and that there had been at times an overplus of clinical material.

Election of Officers.—The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year: *Chairman*, Dr. E. J. Toye; *Vice-Chairman*, Dr. Tucker; *Executive Committee*, Drs. Kettlewell, Jonas, Valentine, Parsons, Kendle, and Hobling; *Honorary Secretary and Treasurer*, Dr. Ellis Pearson; *Representative on Branch Council*, Dr. E. J. Toye.

Discussion.—Dr. TOYE then opened a discussion on Should Fishing be Permitted in the Public Reservoirs? in which Drs. SLADE-KING, GOODING, KETTLEWELL, JONAS, and KENDLE joined.

Paper.—The HONORARY SECRETARY (Dr. Kendle) read notes on a case of pancreatic abscess, and an interesting discussion followed, in which all present took part.

Entertainment at Cliff Hydro.—At the conclusion of the meeting the members present were kindly entertained to tea at the Cliff Hydro by the courtesy of Dr. Toller, who also exhibited to them the very excellent electrical installation there, a demonstration of which was much enjoyed by all present.

SYDNEY AND NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH.

THE regular general meeting of this Branch was held at the Royal Society's Rooms, Sydney, on Friday, December 15th, 1905, Dr. RENNIE in the chair.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

New Members.—The CHAIRMAN announced the election of Dr. W. D. Langton of Redfern, and the nomination of Dr. E. H. M. Stephen and Dr. F. G. Connor.

The late Dr. D. Weald.—Dr. RENNIE proposed a resolution of condolence with the Queensland Branch on the death of their late Honorary Secretary (Dr. David Weald).—Seconded by Dr. QUAIFE and carried.

Apology for Non-attendance.—An apology was received from the President (Dr. Beeston) for non-attendance.

Papers.—Professor WELSH, in conjunction with Dr. CHAPMAN, read a paper on Precipitin. Drs. FLASHMAN, STACY, and HANKINS made some remarks on the paper. Dr. CHAPMAN replied.—Dr. SINCLAIR GILLIES read a paper on a case of Bradycardia. A discussion ensued, in which Drs. WILKINSON, LITCHFIELD, and MACDONALD GILL took part. Dr. SINCLAIR GILLIES replied.

The annual meeting of the Branch was commenced on Thursday, March 29th, at the Association Rooms, 121, Bathurst Street, Sydney, Dr. BRADY in the chair.

Appointment of Scrutineers.—The Chairman appointed Drs. Gill and Palmer scrutineers, and Drs. Harris and Nolan assistants.

The Chairman then handed the ballot papers to the scrutineers, and the meeting adjourned until the following evening.

The adjourned annual meeting was held on Friday, March 30th, Dr. BEESTON in the chair.

New Members.—The following were elected: Dr. G. A. Buchanan, Nyngan; Dr. A. W. Campbell, 183, Macquarie Street, Sydney; Dr. Constance D'Arcy, Royal Hospital for Women, Paddington; Dr. John C. Douglas, Stockton; Dr. W. B. Kerr, Hellensburg; Dr. James M. McEnroe, R.P.A. Hospital, Camperdown.

Report and Balance Sheet.—The report and balance sheet were taken as read. Dr. CRAGO proposed that the report and balance sheet be adopted. Seconded by Dr. CARRUTHERS. Carried unanimously.

Presidential Address.—Dr. BEESTON read his Presidential address. Dr. RENNIE proposed that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to Dr. BEESTON for his address. Carried by acclamation. Dr. BEESTON replied.

Election of Office-bearers.—The following office-bearers were elected for the ensuing year:—*President:* Dr. F. A. Pockley. *Vice-President:* Dr. Newmarch. *Councillors:* Dr. Hankins, Dr. Crago, Dr. Rennie, Dr. Beeston, Dr. Abbott, Dr. Dick, Dr. Brady, Dr. MacCormick, Dr. Worrall, Dr. Hinder, Dr. Maitland, Dr. Read.—Dr. POCKLEY then took the chair, and thanked the members for having elected him President.

Auditors.—Election of auditors for 1906:—Drs. Sawkins and T. H. Hall.

Vote of Thanks to Scrutineers.—A vote of thanks was accorded to the scrutineers and assistants; carried by acclamation.

By-law.—The HONORARY SECRETARY moved the adoption of the following by-law:

> That the Representative of the Branch on the Central Council may be a member of a Branch of the British Medical Association other than the Sydney and New South Wales Branch.

—Seconded by Dr. CRAGO and carried.

Representatives on Central Council.—The following gentlemen were elected representatives on the Home Council:—Dr. C. J. Martin, G. E. Twynam.

Portrait of Sir P. S. Jones.—The PRESIDENT (Dr. Pockley) presented the portrait of Sir Philip Sydney Jones. Sir PHILIP JONES thanked the members for the gift.

Vote of Thanks to Mr. P. Spence.—The HONORARY SECRETARY moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Percy Spence for his work in connexion with the portrait of Sir Philip Jones.

ULSTER BRANCH.

A JOINT meeting of this Branch and of the Ulster Medical Society, adjourned from March 29th, was held in the Medical Institute, Belfast, on Wednesday, April 25th, Dr. CALWELL in the chair.

Tughan v. Darnell.—The meeting was summoned to consider what further proceedings should be taken regarding the decision in the case of Tughan *v.* Darnell. It was reported that after inquiry and due consideration of the prospects of success, Dr. Darnell had decided to abandon the appeal of which notice had been lodged. The meeting thereupon decided to start a fund to assist Dr. Darnell in paying the expenses of the proceedings, which will probably amount to about £800 out of pocket. A large General Committee was formed, with Dr. Leonard Kidd (Enniskillen), President of the Ulster Branch, and Dr. William Calwell, President of the Ulster Medical Society, as Honorary Treasurers; and Drs. Cecil Shaw and Thomas Houston, Honorary Secretaries. A number of subscriptions have been promised, and a circular will shortly be sent out giving particulars.

PORTADOWN AND WEST DOWN DIVISION.

THE spring meeting of the Portadown and West Down Division was held at Portadown on April 4th, Dr. LAWLESS in the chair. Apologies were received from Drs. S. E. Martin and Chancellor.

Proposed Royal Charter.—The Draft Charter was considered and approved.

State Registration of Nurses.—The principle of the State Registration of Nurses was approved, the Division confiding in the Council to use its best efforts to secure due control of the profession in the government of the nurses.

Papers.—Dr. HOWARD SINCLAIR read an interesting and instructive paper on points in the early diagnosis of pulmonary tuberculosis.—Dr. DEENY read notes of a case of perforative appendicitis.—Dr. DARLINGTON showed a young man with large tumour of elbow. There was a good deal of discussion of the cases.

Next Meeting.—The next meeting was directed to be held in Newry.

MEMBERS are reminded that the Library and Writing Rooms of the Association are fitted up for the accommodation of the members in commodious apartments, at the office of the Association, 429, Strand. The rooms are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., except on Saturdays, when they close at 2 p.m. Members can have their letters addressed to them at the office.

Association Notices.

BRANCH AND DIVISION MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

ABERDEEN BRANCH.—Election of Member of Council.—Nominations are requested to be sent to Dr. J. F. Christie, Honorary Secretary, 7, Alford Place, Aberdeen, on or before June 2nd. Each candidate must be nominated by not less than three members.

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH.—The annual meeting of the Branch will be held on Wednesday, May 30th, at the Medical Library, University College, Bristol, at 4.30 p.m. Names of candidates for Representatives of the Branch upon the Central Council must be sent to Dr. Newman Neild on or before May 25th. Candidates must be nominated by three members.—NEWMAN NEILD, M.B., W. M. BEAUMONT, Honorary Secretaries.

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH: BRISTOL DIVISION.—The annual meeting of the Division will be held at the Medical Library, University College, Bristol, on Thursday, May 17th, at 8 o'clock. Business: (1) To elect officers and the Representatives of the Division on the Branch Council. (2) To elect Division Representative in Representative Meetings of the Association. (3) To receive the annual report of the Executive Committee. (4) To consider the business of the Annual Representative Meeting. (5) The application for a Royal Charter for the Association.—NEWMAN NEILD, Honorary Secretary, Clifton.

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH: TROWBRIDGE DIVISION.—Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of this Division will be held at the Town Hall, Trowbridge, on Wednesday, May 23rd, at 2.45 p.m. Business: To elect officers; consider communications from the Association *re* Charter, Contract Practice, etc., and any other business.—JOHN TUBB-THOMAS, The Halve, Trowbridge, Wilts, Honorary Secretary.

BIRMINGHAM BRANCH.—The annual meeting of the Birmingham Branch will be held at the Medical Institute on Thursday, June 14th, at 3.30 p.m., and nominations for offices should reach the Honorary Secretary not later than May 23rd.—T. SYDNEY SHORT, Honorary Secretary, 85, Edmund Street, Birmingham.

BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH: NORTH CUMBERLAND DIVISION.—The annual general meeting of the Division will be held at the County Hotel, Carlisle, on Friday, May 25th, at 3.30 p.m. It is proposed to hold a discussion on "The Relation of Medical Men to their Patients."—NORMAN MACLAREN, Carlisle, Honorary Secretary.

BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH AND NORTH LANCASHIRE AND SOUTH WESTMORLAND BRANCH.—In accordance with By-law 24 notice is hereby given that nominations for the office of Representative of the above Branches on the Central Council of the Association must be received by me, duly signed by not less than three members of the Association, not later than May 28th.—FRANCIS R. HILL, M.B., 62, Warwick Road, Carlisle.

CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON BRANCH.—The annual meeting of the Branch will be held at Peterborough on Thursday, June 14th. Any member having communications to make should apply to the Honorary Secretary, F. E. APTHORPE WEBB, Grafton House, Cambridge.

DORSET AND WEST HANTS BRANCH.—Election of a Representative of the Branch on the Central Council.—The nomination of candidates for the ensuing year must be made (in accordance with By-law 24) and sent to me in writing on or before May 21st.—C. H. W. PARKINSON, Honorary Secretary of Branch, Wimborne.

DORSET AND WEST HANTS BRANCH.—The annual meeting will be held at the Mont Dore Hotel, Bournemouth, on Thursday, May 24th. An agenda will be sent in due course. Members having cases to show or papers or other communications should give notice to the Honorary Secretary before May 16th. Candidates for election must send in applications signed by two members before May 16th.—C H. W. PARKINSON Honorary Secretary, Wimborne.

DUNDEE, PERTH, AND STIRLING BRANCHES.—The nomination of candidates for the office of Elective Member of Council for the ensuing year must be made in writing on or before May 14th to Dr. J. E. Moorhouse, 6, Melville Terrace, Stirling.—A. P. LOW, Honorary Secretary, Dundee Branch; W. A. TAYLOR, Honorary Secretary, Perth Branch; J. E. MOORHOUSE, Honorary Secretary, Stirling Branch.

EAST YORK AND NORTH LINCOLN BRANCH.—The annual meeting will be held at the Grimsby and District Hospital on Thursday, June 7th, at 4.30 p.m., and will be followed by the annual dinner.—E. M. HAINWORTH, Honorary Secretary, Hull.

EAST ANGLIAN BRANCH.—Notice is hereby given that nominations of two members for the office of Representative on the Central Council of the Association, each signed by not less than three members, must reach me not later than May 21st.—B. H. NICHOLSON, M.B., East Lodge, Colchester, General Secretary of Branch.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: CITY DIVISION.—The annual meeting will be held on Thursday, May 24th, at 4 p.m., at the Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street, E.C. Agenda: (1) Minutes. (2) Letters. (3) Questions. (4) Report of Executive Committee. (5) Election of officers. (6) Further consideration of notices of motion for Representative Meeting (see SUPPLEMENT to the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL for April 28th). The first annual dinner will be held at the Gaiety Restaurant, Strand, W.C., at 7 p.m on Thursday, June 7th. Tickets, 7s. 6d. each (exclusive of wine), to be obtained of J. Beddow, Esq., Rossendale, 89, Cazenove Road, Stamford Hill, N.E.—E. W. GOODALL, Eastern Hospital, Homerton, N.E., Honorary Secretary.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: ST. PANCRAS AND ISLINGTON DIVISION.—The annual meeting will be held on Friday, May 25th, at 4 p.m., at the Islington Infirmary, Highgate Hill. Business: Election of officers; annual report and financial statement; to consider registration of nurses; the election of Representatives on the General Medical Council, and the business to be brought before the Annual Representative Meeting of the Association.—WM. WYNN WESTCOTT, Honorary Secretary.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: WANDSWORTH DIVISION.—The annual meeting will take place, preceding the annual dinner to be held in the Banqueting Hall, Battersea Town Hall, on Friday, May 25th, at 7 p.m. Invitations to attend have been issued and accepted by the M.P.'s for Wandsworth and Clapham; the Mayors of Battersea, Wandsworth and Wimbledon; the late candidates for Parliament in the Battersea, Clapham, Wandsworth, and Wimbledon areas; local members of the L.C.C. and S.C.C.; the Chairman, Wandsworth Guardians; the Chairman, Central Council; the President of the Branch; the Director-General A.M.S.; the Chairman, Organization Committee; and several others. The Committee hope the members of the Division will attend in large numbers and bring their medical friends. Tickets, 7s. 6d. each.—A. J. SWALLOW, Honorary Secretary Dinner Committee, 61, South Side, Clapham Common.

MIDLAND BRANCH.—Nominations of candidates for the Council of the Association for the ensuing year must be sent before May 14th to ASTLEY V. CLARKE, 37, London Road, Leicester, Honorary Secretary.

MIDLAND BRANCH: LEICESTER DIVISION.—The annual meeting of the Division will be held on Wednesday, May 30th, at 4 p.m., at the Infirmary, Leicester. Business: (1) To nominate a Vice-President of the Branch for 1906-7. (2) To elect the officers of the Division. (3) To elect Representatives on the Branch Council. (4) To elect the Executive Committee of the Division. (5) To elect a Representative at the Representative Meeting of the Association. (6) To receive a report of the work of the Division. (7) To discuss matters referred to the Division in the SUPPLEMENT to the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL. (8) Any other business.—ROBERT SEVESTRE and WILFRED E. GIBBONS, Honorary Secretaries, Leicester.

NORTH OF ENGLAND BRANCH.—Election of Representatives on the Central Council.—Notice is hereby given that nominations of two Representatives for the North of England Branch, each signed by not less than three members, must reach me not later than May 21st.—ALFRED COX, Cotfield House, Gateshead, Honorary Secretary.

NORTH WALES BRANCH.—Nominations of a member of the Central Council to represent this Branch for the ensuing year must be made in accordance with By-law 24, and sent to me in writing on or before May 31st.—H. JONES ROBERTS, Honorary Secretary, Pen-y-groes.

NORTH WALES BRANCH: DENBIGH AND FLEET DIVISION.—The annual meeting of the Division will be on Friday, May 25th, at the Wrexham Infirmary.—E. D. EVANS, Honorary Secretary.

NORTH WALES BRANCH: NORTH CARNARVONSHIRE AND ANGLESEA DIVISION.—The annual meeting of this Division will be held at the British Hotel, Bangor, on Wednesday, May 30th, for the election of officers, Representatives, etc., and other business. Members having papers to read or cases to show will please notify the honorary secretary on or before May 19th.—H. JONES ROBERTS, Pen-y-groes, Honorary Secretary.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH.—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held at Norwood on Wednesday, June 27th, Dr. Hetley, President-elect, in the chair. The following will

be the agenda: (1) To elect the officers of the Branch. (This will be done by voting papers sent to each member of the Branch. Nominations by three members for the offices of President-elect, Vice-Presidents, and Secretary may be sent to the Honorary Secretary on or before May 21st.) (2) To receive the annual report of the Branch. (3) To transact any business that may be transacted by an ordinary meeting. N.B.—Three members to represent the Branch on the Central Council will also be elected by voting papers. Nominations for these posts, each of three members in writing, should be sent to the Secretary of the Branch on or before May 21st.—H. M. STEWART, Dyffryn, 123, Thurlow Park Road, Dulwich, Honorary Secretary.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: CROYDON DIVISION.—The annual meeting of the Division will be held at the Croydon General Hospital on Thursday, May 17th. Business meeting, chairman, Dr. Rosser. Agenda: (*a*) Minutes of the previous meeting. (*b*) Election of officers for the coming year. (*c*) To decide when and where the next meeting shall be held, and to elect a chairman. (*d*) Other business. Clinical meeting, chairman, Mr. C. Wray. Members willing to exhibit cases are requested to communicate with the honorary secretary not later than May 12th. A detailed agenda paper will be issued later. Dinner at the Greyhound Hotel, charge 5s., exclusive of wine. Members intending to remain to dinner are requested to send a post-card to that effect to E. H. WILLOCK, 113, London Road, Croydon, Honorary Secretary.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: FOLKESTONE DIVISION.—A meeting of the Division will be held at the Hotel Wampach on Tuesday, May 15th, at 8.30 p.m. Agenda: To consider the matters referred to the Divisions (see SUPPLEMENT to the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, May 5th). The annual meeting of the Division will be held at the Hotel Wampach on Tuesday, May 22nd, at 7.15 p.m. Agenda: (1) To elect officers, the Representative of the Division on the Branch Council, and the ordinary members of the Executive Committee. (2) To receive the annual report of the Executive Committee, including the finances. (3) To make new rules or alter or repeal existing rules. (4) To transact any business that may be transacted at an ordinary meeting. A meeting of the Folkestone, Ashford, and Dover constituency will be held after the annual meeting at the same place. Agenda: (1) To elect Representative in Representative Meetings of the Association. (2) To elect a Secretary. (3) To consider the business of the Annual Representative Meeting. Dinner at 8.30 p.m.; charge 5s.—P. VERNON DODD, M.D., Honorary Secretary, 14, Manor Road, Folkestone.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: REIGATE DIVISION.—A meeting will be held at the Cottage Hospital, Redhill, on Thursday, May 17th, at 3.30 p.m., Dr. John Walters, J.P., in the chair. Agenda: To elect a Representative of the Division, and to consider any other Association business. A discussion on some points in Urinary Surgery will be opened by Mr. James Berry, B.S., M.B.Lond., F.R.C.S.Eng., Surgeon to the Royal Free Hospital. Some interesting specimens will be shown. All members of the South-Eastern Branch are invited to attend and to introduce professional friends. Tea will be provided after the meeting.—W. A. BERRIDGE, Honorary Secretary, Redhill.

SOUTH MIDLAND BRANCH.—In accordance with the by-laws, nominations of a member of Central Council to represent this Branch must reach me on or before May 12th.—E. HARRIES JONES, Honorary Secretary, 45, Sheep Street, Northampton.

SOUTH MIDLAND BRANCH: AYLESBURY DIVISION.—The annual meeting of this Division will be held in the Board room of the Royal Bucks Hospital on Tuesday, May 15th, at 2.30 p.m. Agenda: (1) The minutes of the last meeting to be read and confirmed. (2) To elect the Chairman and other officers for the ensuing year. (3) To consider the advisability of drawing up list of medical men willing to be sent for by midwives in emergencies. (4) To decide which Branch this Division should be grouped with for purposes of representation. (5) To consider the application of the Association for a Royal Charter (see SUPPLEMENT to the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, March 24th, 1906). (6) Letters and any other business.—HORACE ROSE, Honorary Secretary, Aylesbury.

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH.—Election of Representatives on Central Council.—Nominations in writing, signed by three members of the Branch, must be sent in on or before May 24th to Dr. FRANK G. THOMAS, 68, Walter Road, Swansea.

SOUTH-WESTERN BRANCH.—The nomination of candidates for the office of elective members of Council (Branch Representatives on the Central Council of the Association) for the ensuing year must be made by three electors, and in writing, on or before May 19th. to the Honorary Secretary of the Branch, Mr. G. YOUNG EALES, 1, Matlock Terrace, Torquay.

STAFFORDSHIRE BRANCH.—In accordance with the By-laws notice is hereby given that nominations of Representatives of this Branch in the Council of the Association must be received by me, duly signed by three electors and in writing, on or before May 26th.—G. PETGRAVE JOHNSON, Stoke-upon-Trent, Honorary Secretary.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH.—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Eye and Ear Hospital, Bradford, on Wednesday, June 13th. In accordance with By-law 24 notice is hereby given that nominations for Representatives on the Council of the Association must be received by me, in writing, duly signed by three members of the Branch, on or before May 19th.—ADOLPH BRONNER, M.D., 33, Manor Row, Bradford, Honorary Secretary.

CENTRAL MIDWIVES BOARD.

A MEETING of the Central Midwives Board was held on April 26th at 6, Suffolk Street, Pall Mall, with Dr. F. H. CHAMPNEYS in the chair.

Payment to Medical Men called in by Midwives in Difficult Cases.

A letter was read from a certified midwife saying that since the Midwives Act came into force it had made, so far, very little difference in the practice of midwives. It was also stated in the letter that in the locality where the writer practised the untrained women still practised, and that with one exception the doctors did not approve of practising midwives, and informed prospective mothers that if the certified midwives summoned doctors in difficult cases the doctors would double their fees. It was further pointed out in the letter that the poor folk on 12s. a week were frightened that the certified midwife would send for a doctor, and so let them in for a bill for two guineas.

Mr. WARD COUSINS observed that cases had undoubtedly occurred in which certified midwives were compelled to pay the fees of the medical men summoned before they would assist the midwives in the cases. In his opinion the medical profession did not think that a doctor called into an emergency case of difficulty should expect to be paid by the midwife who called him in. If the fee of the doctor was paid by the patient the difficulty was solved, because no one would object to the doctor being paid in that manner. It was a serious question, involving the satisfactory carrying out of the Midwives Act.

The SECRETARY of the Board explained that the letter was an *ex-parte* statement that the doctors in a certain locality did not like the certified midwives practising, and managed to squeeze them out by saying to the prospective mothers that if they employed a certified midwife should she send for a doctor the fee would be two guineas. Naturally the women would consider whether it would be better to employ a doctor for one guinea rather than run the chance of having to pay two guineas.

Mr. WARD COUSINS said that in Cardiff and Liverpool the local supervising authorities had made arrangements for the payment of doctors in these cases. It was a critical question, because the members of the medical profession were required in every sense of the word to give assistance in these cases, and the Central Midwives Board ought to insist that some provision should be made by the local supervising authorities for the purpose.

Miss WILSON asked under what powers Liverpool and Cardiff arranged for the payment of medical men when called in.

The SECRETARY explained that the accounts of County Councils were subjected to the Local Government Board auditors, and such payments would be surcharged; but the boroughs were not in that position, for they elected their own auditors, whose reports need not be regarded by the boroughs. If rich and large boroughs chose to break the law it was their own matter.

Mr. WARD COUSINS said that the difficulty was felt in country places where practitioners had to travel sometimes many miles at night without receiving any fee.

Dr. PARKER YOUNG said it could not be expected that doctors were to be called up at any time day or night and then not be paid. Medical men were summoned in cases of difficulty, and after being put to great trouble and a great expenditure of time they received no fee, therefore he was not surprised that they said their fees would be a certain amount. The people to blame in the matter were

those who framed the Midwives Act; it ought to be amended. He concluded by moving that the matter should be referred to the Standing Committee to consider and report what amendment of the Act was desirable.

Mr. WARD COUSINS seconded the motion, which was carried.

Report on the April Examination.

The following report by the Secretary on the April examination was received.

RESULTS OF INDIVIDUAL TRAINING SCHOOLS.
Examination April 3rd, 1906.

Training School.	Total.	Passed.	Failed.	Percentage of Failures.
LONDON.				
City of London Lying-in Hospital, City Road, E.C.	4	2	2	50.0
Clapham Maternity Hospital, 39 to 43, Jeffreys Road, Clpaham, S.W.	6	4	2	33.3
East End Mothers' Home, 394 to 396, Commercial Road, E.	9	6	3	33.3
General Lying-in Hospital, York Road, Lambeth, S.E.	17	14	3	17.6
Guy's Trained Nurses' Institution, 14, St. Thomas's Street, S.E.	7	7	0	0.0
London Hospital, Whitechapel, E.	11	10	1	9.9
Plaistow Maternity Charity, Howard's Road, Plaistow, E.	43	31	12	27.9
Queen Charlotte's Lying-in Hospital, Marylebone Road, N.W.	18	18	0	0.0
Salvation Army Maternity Hospital, Mare Street, Hackney, N.E.	9	6	3	33.3
Woolwich, Military Families' Hospital, Woolwich, S.E.	1	1	0	0.0
ENGLAND (except London).				
Aldershot, Louise Margaret Hospital	5	4	1	20.0
Bristol Royal Infirmary	1	1	0	0.0
Chatham, Military Families' Hospital	1	1	0	0.0
Chester Benevolent Institution, 7, Grosvenor Street, Chester	2	2	0	0.0
Derby, Royal Derby and Derbyshire Nursing Association	3	1	2	66.6
Essex County Cottage Nursing Society, Beachcroft Road, Leytonstone, N.E.	3	3	0	0.0
Hull Lying-in Charity, 31, Beverley Road, Hull ...	1	1	0	0.0
Ipswich Nurses' Home, Brook Street, Ipswich ...	4	4	0	0.0
Liverpool Ladies' Charity and Lying-in Hospital...	1	1	0	0.0
Portsmouth, Military Families' Hospital	1	0	1	100.0
Sheffield, Jessop Hospital for Women	2	0	2	100.0
West Ham Union Infirmary, Leytonstone	1	1	0	0.0
WALES.				
Cardiff and District Branch of the Queen Victoria Jubilee Nurses' Institute	1	0	1	100.0
SCOTLAND.				
Dundee Maternity Hospital	4	4	0	0.0
Edinburgh Royal Maternity Hospital...	2	2	0	0.0
Glasgow, Eastern District Hospital	2	2	0	0.0
IRELAND.				
Dublin, Rotunda Hospital...	5	4	1	20.0
	164	130	34	20.7
Private tuition	51	39	12	23.5
	215	169	46	21.4

A special meeting of the Central Midwives Board, under the provisions of the rules of procedure on the proposed removal of a name from the Roll of Midwives, was held on May 3rd at 6, Suffolk Street, Pall Mall, with Dr. F. H. CHAMPNEYS in the chair.

Midwives Struck off the Roll.

The following charges alleged against the certified midwives Sarah Hine and Mary Ann Wallis were heard:

That when called to a confinement they did not take with them the appliances or antiseptics required by Rule E 2, and that they declined to undertake to provide themselves with them; that they did not keep or possess a register of cases as required by Rule E 19 (*a*); and that they declined to undertake to provide themselves with one.

The Board ordered the removal of the names of these two midwives from the Roll.

The following charges alleged against Mary Alice Jackson, a certified midwife, were heard:

That she was intoxicated while on duty at a confinement on December 4th, 1905; that while on duty as aforesaid she did not wear a dress of washable material as required by Rule E 1; that she did not take with her to a confinement the appliances or antiseptics required by Rule E 2; that she did not disinfect her hands and forearms on each occasion of touching the genital organs as required by Rule E 3; that she did not wash the patient's external parts with soap and water, and then swab them with an antiseptic solution as required by Rule E 7.

The Board ordered the removal of the name of Mary Alice Jackson from the Roll of Midwives.

The following charges alleged against Harriet Fields were heard:

That being in attendance at a confinement on November 12th, 1905, and subsequent days she did not take with her the appliances and antiseptics required by Rule E 2. That she did not possess such appliances or antiseptics, and had never used them. That before making the first internal examination she did not wash the patient's external parts with soap and water and then swab them with an antiseptic solution as required by Rule E 7. That she did not wash the patient after her confinement, thereby neglecting to give full directions for securing her comfort during the lying-in period, as required by Rule E 11. That the patient being ill and her progress unsatisfactory on the fifth day after confinement, she did not, until the seventh day, decline to attend alone or advise that a registered medical practitioner should be sent for, as required by Rule E 17. That she did not keep a register of cases or a record of sending for medical help, as required by Rule E 19.

The Board ordered the removal of the name of Harriet Fields from the Roll of Midwives.

The following charges alleged against Mary Ann Stead, a certified midwife, were heard:

That being in attendance at a confinement on October 30th, 1905, and subsequent days, she did not take with her the appliances or antiseptics required by Rule E 2. That she did not previously disinfect her hands and forearms on each occasion of touching the patient's genital organs, as required by Rule E 3. That before making the first internal examination she did not wash the patient's external parts with soap and water and then swab them with an antiseptic solution, as required by Rule E 7. That she did not wash the patient after her confinement, thereby neglecting to give full directions for securing her comfort during the lying-in period, as required by Rule E 11. That the patient being ill and her progress unsatisfactory, she did not decline to attend alone or advise that a registered medical practitioner should be sent for, as required by Rule E 17.

The Board ordered the removal of the name of Mary Ann Stead from the Roll of midwives.

The following charges alleged against Emma Jones, a certified midwife, were heard:

That being in attendance at a confinement on November 29th, 1905, and subsequently during the lying-in period, she was guilty of negligence and misconduct in the following respects: (*a*) that having attended to the patient on November 30th, she did not again visit her until 3 p.m. on December 2nd; (*b*) that at 3 p.m. on December 2nd she was found lying in the garden of the patient's house drunk and incapable; (*c*) that on December 3rd she was drunk when she arrived at the patient's house about 3.30 p.m.; (*d*) that on December 5th she was drunk when she arrived at the patient's house. That being in attendance at a confinement on January 13th, 1906, and subsequently during the lying-in period, she was guilty of misconduct in the following respect: that having undertaken to convey the body of the deceased infant to the churchyard for burial on January 16th, 1906, she was found sitting in a garden, drunk and incapable, with the corpse in a box by her side.

The Board ordered the removal of the name of Emma Jones from the Roll of midwives.

The following charges alleged against Emma Whittaker, a certified midwife, were heard:

That being in attendance at a confinement on January 28th 1906, and subsequently during the lying-in period, she was guilty of negligence in the following respects: (*a*) That she did not wear a dress of washable material, nor a washable apron, as required by Rule E 1. (*b*) That she did not take with her the appliances nor the antiseptics required by Rule E 2. (*c*) That she omitted to notice that a portion of the membranes belonging to the after-birth had not been expelled. (*d*) That on January 29th, the patient being ill and her progress unsatisfactory, she did not take her temperature, nor did she decline to attend alone, nor advise that a registered medical practitioner should be sent for, as required by Rule E 17. That she habitually practised as a midwife without possessing a washable dress (Rule E 1), or appliances and antiseptics (Rule E 2).

The Board ordered the removal of the name of Emma Whittaker from the Roll of midwives.

A Midwife Severely Censured.

The following three charges alleged against Elizabeth Pattillo, a certified midwife, were heard:

(1) That being in attendance at a confinement at No. 42.

Granville Road, Crumpsall, she failed to apply proper and sufficient ligatures to the umbilical cord, whereby haemorrhage ensued, causing the death of the new-born infant. (2) That the death of the child having occurred before the attendance of a registered medical practitioner, she failed to notify the same to the local supervising authority, as required by Rule E 18 (1). (3) That she did not keep a register of cases as required by Rule E 19 (1).

The Board found that charge No. 1 had not been proved, but that charges Nos. 2 and 3 had been proved, and ordered that the midwife Elizabeth Pattillo be severely censured in regard to the last two charges. The Board also directed that a report be furnished in three months' time as to whether the midwife was observing Rule E 18 (1) and Rule E 19 (1).

Rule as to the Calling in of Medical Men by Midwives.

In regard to the conditions in which medical help must be sent for by midwives the Board had submitted the following rule for the approval of the Privy Council:

In all cases of abortion, of illness of the patient or child, or of any abnormality occurring during pregnancy, labour, or lying-in, a midwife must explain that the case is one in which she must advise that a registered medical practitioner be sent for, and must hand to the husband or the nearest relative or friend present the form of sending for medical help properly filled up and signed by her, in order that this may be immediately forwarded to the medical practitioner.

In a letter dated April 26th, 1906, the Privy Council suggested that the words "the attendance of a registered medical practitioner is required" would be preferable to the words in the rule "she must advise that a registered medical practitioner be sent for."

The Board therefore amended the rule in accordance with the suggestion of the Privy Council.

GRANTS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

THE Council of the British Medical Association desires to remind members of the profession engaged in researches for the advancement of medicine and the allied sciences that it is prepared to receive applications for grants in aid of such research. Applications for sums to be granted, which must reach this office not later than May 31st, must include details of the precise character and objects of the research which is proposed, and must be made on forms to be had of the General Secretary, at the office of the Association, 429, Strand, London.

Every recipient is required to furnish to the Science Committee, on or before May 31st following upon the allotment of the grant, a report (or, if the object of the grant be not then attained, an interim report to be renewed at the same date in each subsequent year until a final report can be furnished) containing: (*a*) A brief statement for the Report of the Science Committee, showing the results arrived at, or the stage which the inquiry has reached; (*b*) a general statement of the expenditure incurred, accompanied, so far as is possible, with vouchers; (*c*) and references to any Transactions, Journals, or other publications in which the results of the research have been printed.

The work of the Grantees shall be subject to inspection.

RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Council of the British Medical Association is prepared to receive applications for three Research Scholarships, each of the value of £150 per annum, tenable for one year, and subject to renewal by the Council, provided the whole term of office has not exceeded three years.

The scholarships exist for the encouragement of research in Anatomy, Physiology, Pathology, Bacteriology, State Medicine, Clinical Medicine, and Clinical Surgery.

The Scholars' work shall be subject to inspection.

Applications for Scholarships must be made on forms to be had of the General Secretary, and returned on or before May 31st.

ERNEST HART RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP.

The Council of the British Medical Association is also prepared to receive applications for the Ernest Hart Memorial Scholarship of the value of £200 per annum, tenable for one year, but subject to renewal by the Council for another year. The Scholarship is for the study of some subject in the department of State Medicine.

N.B.—Applications for Scholarships and Grants should, as a rule, be accompanied by a recommendation from the head of the laboratory in which the applicant proposes to work, setting out the fitness of the candidate to conduct such work, and the probable value of the work to be undertaken. This is not intended, however, to prevent applications for Grants in aid of work which need not be performed in a recognized laboratory.

GUY ELLISTON, *General Secretary.*

429, Strand,
April, 1906.

Vital Statistics.

HEALTH OF ENGLISH TOWNS.

IN seventy-six of the largest English towns, including London, 8,793 births and 4,955 deaths were registered during the week ending Saturday last, May 5th. The annual rate of mortality in these towns, which had been 17.1, 17.3, and 16.7 per 1,000 in the three preceding weeks, further fell last week to 16.3 per 1,000. The rates in the several towns ranged from 7.2 in Hornsey, 7.3 in Willesden, 7.9 in King's Norton, 8.4 in Leyton, 8.5 in Bournemouth, 9.2 in East Ham, and 9.6 in Tottenham, to 20.9 in Birkenhead, 21.2 in Hanley, 21.7 in Norwich and in St. Helens, 22.2 in Oldham, and 27.1 in Liverpool. In London the rate of mortality was 16.0 per 1,000, while it averaged 16.5 per 1,000 in the seventy-five other large towns. The death-rate from the principal infectious diseases averaged 1.6 per 1,000 in the seventy-six towns; in London this death-rate was equal to 1.5 per 1,000, while among the seventy-five other large towns the rates ranged upwards to 2.7 in Coventry and in Salford, 2.8 in Merthyr Tydfil, 3.0 in Burton-on-Trent and in Manchester, 3.6 in Burnley, 3.9 in Walthamstow, 4.2 in Liverpool, and 5.0 in Great Yarmouth. Measles caused a death-rate of 1.3 in Preston, 1.6 in Manchester and in Salford, 1.8 in Bury and in Bradford, 2.0 in Burnley, 2.1 in Walthamstow, 2.3 in Liverpool, and 4.0 in Great Yarmouth; scarlet fever of 1.1 in Leicester; diphtheria of 1.3 in Walthamstow; whooping-cough of 1.1 in Walsall, Leicester, Liverpool, and Swansea, 1.3 in Southampton and Reading, 1.4 in Sunderland, 2.0 in Burton-on-Trent and Coventry, 2.1 in Merthyr Tydfil, and 2.4 in Bootle. The mortality from enteric fever and from diarrhœa showed no marked excess in any of the large towns. No fatal case of small-pox was registered last week in any of the seventy-six towns, and no small-pox patients were admitted into the Metropolitan Asylums Hospitals. The number of scarlet-fever cases remaining under treatment in these hospitals and in the London Fever Hospital at the end of the week was 2,337, against 2,302, 2,225, and 2,240 at the end of the three preceding weeks; 357 new cases were admitted during the week, against 270, 288, and 314 in the three preceding weeks.

HEALTH OF SCOTCH TOWNS.

DURING the week ending Saturday last, May 5th, 1,084 births and 618 deaths were registered in eight of the principal Scotch towns. The annual rate of mortality in these towns, which had been 19.1, 17.6, and 18.4 per 1,000 in the three preceding weeks, declined again to 18.0 per 1,000 last week, but was 1.7 per 1,000 above the mean rate during the same period in the seventy-six large English towns. Among these Scotch towns the death-rates ranged from 10.8 in Paisley and 15.6 in Aberdeen to 20.6 in Dundee and 21.4 in Greenock. The death-rate from the principal infectious diseases averaged 2.0 per 1,000 in these towns, the highest rates being recorded in Dundee and Leith. The 311 deaths registered in Glasgow included 12 which were referred to measles, 6 to diphtheria, 10 to whooping-cough, 2 to "fever," and 4 to diarrhœa. Five fatal cases of measles, 2 of scarlet fever, 4 of whooping-cough, and 2 of diarrhœa were recorded in Edinburgh. Three deaths from measles, 2 from whooping-cough, and 5 from diarrhœa occurred in Dundee; 3 from whooping-cough in Aberdeen; and 2 from measles in Leith.

HEALTH OF IRISH TOWNS.

DURING the week ending Saturday, May 5th, 607 births and 442 deaths were registered in six of the principal Irish towns, as against 571 births and 394 deaths in the preceding period. The annual death-rate in these towns which had been 20.4, 17.3, and 21.8 per 1,000 in the three preceding weeks, rose to 22.7 per 1,000 in the week under notice, this figure being 6.4 per 1,000 higher than the mean annual rate in the seventy-six English towns for the corresponding period. The figures ranged from 17.5 in Waterford and 19.8 in Londonderry to 25.9 in Dublin and 26.0 in Belfast and Limerick. The zymotic death-rate in the same six Irish towns averaged 1.0 per 1,000, or 0.4 per 1,000 lower than during the preceding period, the highest figure—3.3—being recorded in Belfast, while no deaths under this heading were recorded in Cork, Limerick and Waterford.

ENGLISH URBAN MORTALITY IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1906.

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THE vital statistics of the seventy-six large towns dealt with in the Registrar-General's weekly returns are summarized in the accompanying table. During the three months ending March last, 113,207 births were registered in these towns, equal to an annual rate of 28.7 per 1,000 of the population, estimated at 15,818,360 persons in the middle of the year; in the corresponding quarter of the three preceding years the rates were 30.1, 29.7, and 29.4 per 1,000. In London the birth-rate last quarter was 27.8 per 1,000, while it averaged 29.1 in the seventy-five other large towns, and ranged from 16.4 in Hastings, 16.7 in Hornsey, 17.4 in Bournemouth, 19.2 in Halifax, 20.8 in Bradford, 21.5 in Northampton, and 22.4 in Rochdale, to 34.4 in Sunderland, 34.5 in Smethwick and in St. Helens, 34.7 in Rotherham, 34.9 in Gateshead, 35.9 in Hanley, 36.5 in Merthyr Tydfil, and 39.5 in Rhondda.

During the quarter under notice 65,351 deaths were registered in these towns, equal to an annual rate of 16.6 per 1,000; in the three preceding first quarters the rates were 17.3, 18.7, and 17.2 per 1,000. In London the rate of mortality last quarter was 16.6 per 1,000, while among the seventy-five large provincial towns the rates ranged from 10.2 in Hornsey, 10.7 in King's Norton, 10.9 in East Ham, 11.1 in Walthamstow, 11.3 in Northampton, 11.6 in Willesden, and 11.8 in Leyton, to 19.1 in Sunderland, 19.3 in Middlesbrough and in Tynemouth, 19.6 in Warrington, 20.0 in Swansea, 20.1 in Merthyr Tydfil, 21.3 in Liverpool, and 22.5 in Preston.

Analysis of the Vital Statistics of Seventy-six of the Largest English Towns during the First Quarter of 1906.

Towns.	Estimated Population middle of 1906.	Births.	Deaths.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Living. Births.	Deaths.	Principal Infectious Diseases.	Deaths from Principal Infectious Diseases.	Small-pox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Whooping-Cough.	Fever.	Diarrhœa.	Deaths of Children under one year of age to 1,000 Births.	Rate per cent. of Uncertified Deaths.
76 Towns	15,818,360	113,207	65,351	28.7	16.6	1.38	5,444	3	1,628	537	847	1,597	266	566	128	1.2
75 Provincial Towns	11,097,143	80,537	45,870	29.1	16.6	1.36	3,757	3	944	408	660	1,139	221	392	133	1.6
London	4,721,217	32,670	19,481	27.8	16.6	1.44	1,687	—	684	129	197	458	45	174	117	0.2
Croydon	151,011	956	510	25.4	13.5	1.21	45	—	20	4	13	4	1	3	105	—
Willesden	143,622	1,120	414	31.3	11.6	0.81	29	—	13	4	5	5	1	1	96	2.2
Hornsey	86,935	363	220	16.7	10.2	1.02	22	—	11	1	4	—	1	5	96	—
Tottenham	119,503	948	451	31.8	15.1	1.77	53	—	37	5	4	4	—	3	111	0.2
West Ham	301,617	2,446	1,068	32.5	14.2	1.60	120	—	29	12	29	37	3	10	105	—
East Ham	129,886	935	353	28.9	10.9	1.17	38	—	7	10	13	4	1	3	88	—
Leyton	118,287	860	347	29.2	11.8	1.22	36	—	13	2	8	10	—	3	98	0.6
Walthamstow	121,334	909	337	30.0	11.1	1.03	31	—	12	3	7	3	2	4	106	—
Hastings	67,144	275	270	16.4	16.1	0.30	5	—	2	—	—	1	—	2	171	1.1
Brighton	128,095	746	569	23.4	17.8	0.68	22	—	2	2	5	10	—	3	127	—
Portsmouth	205,118	1,488	757	29.1	14.8	0.59	30	—	—	1	13	10	4	2	103	2.1
Bournemouth	67,702	293	289	17.4	17.1	0.71	12	—	—	—	3	8	—	1	174	0.7
Southampton	117,312	758	428	25.9	14.6	1.02	30	—	—	—	3	24	1	2	128	—
Reading	78,987	463	281	23.5	14.3	1.41	28	—	—	—	5	19	—	4	106	2.8
Northampton	93,749	502	265	21.5	11.3	0.61	14	—	—	2	2	4	4	2	104	1.1
Ipswich	71,809	504	281	28.2	15.7	2.01	7	—	—	—	2	3	—	2	141	—
Great Yarmouth	52,613	347	230	26.5	17.5	0.90	12	—	5	—	1	—	1	5	141	—
Norwich	117,958	793	486	27	16.5	0.61	18	—	—	1	8	2	2	5	130	0.2
Plymouth	118,014	706	553	24.0	18.8	2.01	59	1	7	4	5	36	4	2	157	—
Devonport	78,405	585	307	29.9	15.7	0.91	18	—	—	2	2	10	2	2	123	—
Bristol	363,223	2,453	1,515	27.1	16.7	1.41	129	1	51	5	23	38	4	7	146	0.2
Hanley	66,360	594	296	35.9	17.9	1.08	18	—	—	5	4	1	4	4	131	0.3
Burton-on-Trent	52,922	316	183	24.0	13.9	0.24	3	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	120	5.5
Wolverhampton	100,729	700	431	27.9	17.2	1.84	46	—	22	5	5	9	2	3	131	0.9
Walsall	94,577	727	384	30.8	16.3	0.50	12	—	—	1	1	1	1	8	179	1.3
Handsworth	63,819	419	206	26.2	12.9	1.63	26	—	1	—	—	23	1	1	131	1.5
West Bromwich	68,469	586	306	34.3	17.9	2.06	35	—	—	3	2	23	6	1	172	2.9
Birmingham	548,022	4,202	2,468	30.8	18.1	1.81	248	—	45	15	30	122	8	28	140	3.2
King's Norton	72,608	475	193	26.2	10.7	0.62	11	—	3	1	—	7	—	—	105	1.6
Smethwick	64,531	555	233	34.5	14.5	1.54	25	—	1	—	2	18	2	2	104	3.0
Aston Manor	82,288	606	290	29.5	14.1	1.81	37	—	6	2	2	20	2	5	119	1.4
Coventry	76,374	568	304	29.8	16.0	0.80	15	—	—	2	5	7	—	1	109	3.0
Leicester	232,111	1,492	890	25.8	15.4	2.01	117	—	2	10	10	87	—	8	202	1.1
Grimsby	69,359	513	235	29.7	13.6	0.46	8	—	—	—	4	1	3	—	131	1.3
Nottingham	254,563	1,735	1,191	27.3	18.8	0.96	60	—	1	1	14	19	10	15	176	0.7
Derby	123,981	781	441	25.3	14.3	1.16	36	—	1	2	18	8	3	4	104	—
Stockport	99,646	676	454	27.2	18.3	1.04	26	—	1	—	3	18	1	3	154	—
Birkenhead	117,292	966	467	33.0	16.0	0.58	17	—	—	7	1	2	3	4	100	—
Wallasey	64,578	418	206	26.0	12.8	0.56	9	—	—	3	5	—	—	1	105	1.0
Liverpool	739,180	6,157	3,928	33.4	21.3	2.22	409	—	130	82	49	108	10	30	147	4.3
Bootle	65,989	546	281	33.2	17.1	0.91	15	—	—	5	2	8	—	—	141	2.8
St. Helens	91,153	784	408	34.5	17.1	0.83	19	—	—	1	11	2	3	2	140	6.9
Wigan	87,588	749	357	34.3	16.3	0.24	5	—	—	1	1	—	3	—	144	1.1
Warrington	69,280	588	338	34.0	19.6	0.99	17	—	—	—	1	14	1	1	151	5.3
Bolton	180,502	1,123	662	25.0	14.7	0.54	25	—	1	2	5	2	9	6	116	0.3
Bury	58,744	351	267	24.0	18.2	2.60	38	—	33	—	—	1	1	—	157	3.0
Manchester	637,126	4,697	2,850	29.6	17.9	1.49	236	—	60	21	26	66	24	36	134	1.2
Salford	234,077	1,819	968	31.2	16.6	1.34	78	—	8	14	13	25	11	7	109	0.2
Oldham	140,969	924	615	26.3	17.5	1.37	48	—	3	15	5	18	—	7	136	—
Rochdale	87,189	488	329	22.4	15.1	1.02	22	—	—	4	1	10	1	6	123	2.7
Burnley	102,808	752	475	29.3	18.5	1.57	40	—	1	—	4	18	4	13	153	0.8
Blackburn	134,015	838	601	25.1	18.0	2.34	78	—	40	16	11	—	2	9	155	3.5
Preston	116,399	849	654	29.3	22.5	3.59	104	—	85	5	2	—	6	6	193	2.3
Barrow-in-Furness	60,961	447	212	29.4	13.9	0.93	14		—	2	5	1	1	5	132	3.3
Huddersfield	94,851	621	390	26.3	16.5	0.93	22	—	—	1	5	9	3	4	87	0.5
Halifax	109,272	524	464	19.2	17.0	0.95	26	—	6	3	9	3	—	5	118	1.3
Bradford	288,544	1,499	1,160	20.8	16.1	0.96	69	—	15	17	19	3	9	6	129	0.4
Leeds	463,495	3,111	2,003	26.9	17.3	2.14	218	—	145	4	34	43	12	10	142	0.1
Sheffield	447,951	3,380	1,709	30.3	15.3	1.30	145	—	9	58	28	31	8	11	114	2.5
Rotherham	61,098	528	233	34.7	15.3	0.86	13	—	—	4	3	4	1	1	116	4.3
York	83,467	564	321	27.1	15.4	1.50	31	—	12	4	6	6	1	2	119	—
Hull	262,426	2,005	1,059	30.6	16.2	1.09	71	—	—	2	46	20	—	3	121	0.1
Middlesbrough	100,069	897	482	36.0	19.3	1.44	36	—	6	2	9	2	1	16	144	1.7
Stockton-on-Tees	52,664	475	218	36.2	16.6	1.37	18	—	1	1	5	7	2	2	112	—
West Hartlepool	73,387	544	264	29.7	14.4	1.43	26	—	—	10	4	8	2	2	101	0.4
Sunderland	154,385	1,326	734	34.4	19.1	1.01	39	—	2	2	13	13	4	5	133	3.5
South Shields	111,402	916	455	33.0	16.4	0.89	25	1	—	—	9	4	4	7	131	4.8
Gateshead	123,191	1,072	501	34.9	16.3	1.76	54	—	13	—	8	27	3	3	125	7.0
Newcastle-on-Tyne	268,721	2,123	1,158	31.7	17.3	1.62	109	—	56	3	14	31	1	4	130	0.7
Tynemouth	54,138	423	261	31.3	19.3	0.52	7	—	—	—	4	—	—	3	137	2.3
Newport (Mon.)	74,227	619	326	33.4	17.6	0.97	18	—	—	2	1	9	1	5	153	0.3
Cardiff	183,823	1,272	673	27.8	14.7	0.72	33	—	—	—	6	17	4	6	127	—
Rhondda	127,684	1,258	547	39.5	17.2	1.49	47	—	4	4	9	19	5	6	184	0.2
Merthyr Tydfil	74,961	683	376	36.5	20.1	1.76	33	—	—	3	18	8	4	—	165	0.5
Swansea	96,848	806	482	33.4	20.0	1.32	32	—	18	2	2	3	3	4	158	—

The 65,351 deaths from all causes in the seventy-six towns last quarter included 5,444 which were referred to the principal infectious diseases; of these, 3 resulted from small-pox, 1,628 from measles, 537 from scarlet fever, 847 from diphtheria, 1,597 from whooping-cough, 266 from "fever" (principally enteric), and 566 from diarrhoea. The death-rate from these diseases, which had been 1.67, 1.60, and 1.39 per 1,000 in the corresponding quarters of the three preceding years, was 1.38 per 1,000 last quarter. In London the death-rate from these principal infectious diseases was 1.44 per 1,000, while it averaged 1.36 in the seventy-five other large towns, among which the rates ranged from 0.24 in Burton-on-Trent and in Wigan, 0.30 in Hastings, 0.39 in Ipswich, 0.46 in Grimsby, 0.50 in Walsall, 0.52 in Tynemouth and 0.54 in Bolton, to 2.01 in Plymouth and in Leicester, 2.06, West Bromwich, 2.14 in Leeds, 2.22 in Liverpool 2.34 in Blackburn, 2.60 in Bury, and 3.59 in Preston. The 1,628 deaths from measles were equal to an annual rate of 0.41 per 1,000; in London this rate was 0.58 per 1,000, while it averaged 0.34 in the seventy-five other large towns, and was highest in Tottenham, Wolverhampton, Bury, Blackburn, Preston, Leeds, and Newcastle-on-Tyne. The 537 fatal cases of scarlet fever corresponded to an annual rate of 0.14 per 1,000; in London the death-rate from this disease was only 0.11 per 1,000, while it averaged 0.15 in the seventy-five large provincial towns, among which scarlet fever was proportionally most fatal in East Ham, Hanley, Liverpool, Bootle, Oldham, Blackburn, Sheffield, and West Hartlepool. The 847 deaths from diphtheria were equal to an annual rate of 0.21 per 1,000; in London the diphtheria mortality was 0.17 per 1,000, while it averaged 0.24 in the seventy-five other large towns, and was greatest in West Ham, Derby, St. Helens, Hull, Middlesbrough, Stockton-on-Tees, and Merthyr Tydfil. The 1,597 fatal cases of whooping-cough corresponded to an annual death-rate of 0.41 per 1,000; in London this rate was 0.39 per 1,000; among the seventy-five large provincial towns whooping-cough was proportionally most fatal in Reading, Plymouth, Handsworth (Staffs), West Bromwich, Smethwick, Aston Manor, and Leicester. The 266 deaths referred to different forms of "fever" were equal to a rate of 0.07 per 1,000; in London the "fever" death-rate was only 0.04 per 1,000, while it averaged 0.08 per 1,000 in the seventy-five other large towns, and was highest in Northampton, Hanley, West Bromwich, Grimsby, Bolton, Salford, Preston, and Merthyr Tydfil. The 566 fatal cases of diarrhoea corresponded to an annual rate of 0.14 per 1,000; in London the rate was 0 15 per 1,000; among the seventy-five other large towns diarrhoea was proportionally most fatal in Great Yarmouth, Walsall, Rochdale, Burnley, Barrow-in-Furness, and Middlesbrough. Of the 3 fatal cases of small-pox registered in the seventy-six towns last quarter, 1 belonged to Plymouth, 1 to Bristol, and 1 to South Shields.

Infant mortality, measured by the proportion of deaths among children under one year of age to registered births, was equal to 128 per 1,000 last quarter, against 135, 145, and 127 in the corresponding periods of the three preceding years; in London the rate of infant mortality was 117 per 1,000, while it averaged 133 in the seventy-five other large towns, and ranged from 87 in Huddersfield, 88 in East Ham, 96 in Hornsey and in Willesden, 98 in Leyton, and 100 in Birkenhead, to 174 in Bournemouth, 176 in Nottingham, 179 in Walsall, 184 in Rhondda, 193 in Preston, and 202 in Leicester.

The causes of 764, or 1.2 per cent., of the deaths registered in the seventy-six large towns were not certified either by a registered medical practitioner or by a coroner. All the causes of death were duly certified in Croydon, West Ham, East Ham, Brighton, Southampton, Plymouth, Derby, Birkenhead, Oldham, Cardiff, and nine other smaller towns; while the largest proportions of uncertified deaths were registered in Burton-on-Trent, Liverpool, St. Helens, Warrington, Rotherham, South Shields, and Gateshead.

Naval and Military Appointments.

ROYAL NAVY MEDICAL SERVICE.

DEPUTY-INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF HOSPITALS AND FLEETS JOHN TYNDALL has been awarded the Greenwich Hospital Pension of £50 a year in the vacancy caused by the death of Deputy-Inspector-General Thomas R. Warren. Deputy-Inspector-General Tyndall's commission as surgeon is dated March 2nd, 1871; he was promoted Staff-Surgeon on March 2nd, 1883, Fleet-Surgeon on May 8th, 1891, and retired with the rank of Deputy-Inspector-General on Oct. 22nd, 1899. Deputy-Inspector-General Tyndall served at the Royal Naval Hospital, Jamaica, 1876-9. He performed a notable service in voluntarily attending in the Military Hospital, Port Royal, 1878, during an outbreak of yellow fever. Here he contracted the disease, and narrowly escaped death (recommended for promotion). He was Senior Medical Officer in the Niger Expedition, 1883, and was mentioned in dispatches.

The following appointments have been made at the Admiralty: FRANCIS J. L. P. MCKENNA, M.B., Surgeon, to the *Egmont*, additional for Malta Dockyard, vice Westcott; EDWARD P. G. CAUSTON, B.A., Surgeon, to the *Britannia*, additional, for Dartmouth College; REGINALD H. ST. B. E. HUGHES, Surgeon, and JOHN J. H. ROONEY, Surgeon, both to the *Victory*, additional, for disposal—all dated May 2nd.

Civil Practitioner THOMAS J. O'MEARA, M.B., is appointed Surgeon and Agent at Castletownsend, Union Hall, Ballyally, and Baltimore; and Civil Practitioner GEORGE W. DAUNT, Surgeon and Agent at Mill Cove and Ross Bar, both May 5th.

THE LIFE GUARDS.

THE appointment is gazetted of Captain ALFRED CRICHTON LUPTON, M.B., from the Royal Army Medical Corps, to be Surgeon-Captain in the 1st Life Guards, under date of May 5th, vice Surgeon-Major B. Pares (promoted). Captain Lupton's first appointment, as Lieutenant, is dated January 28th, 1898 and his captaincy January 28th, 1901. He saw active service in the South African war, 1899-1902, in the operations in the Orange River Colony, including the action at Wittebergen, and in the operations in Cape Colony south of the Orange River. He has the Queen's medal with four clasps.

ARMY MEDICAL STAFF.

MAJOR HERBERT JOHN MARTIN BUIST, D.S.O., M.B., B.Ch., Royal Army Medical Corps, to be a Deputy-Assistant Director-General, vice Major T. McCulloch, M.B., Royal Army Medical Corps, whose tenure of that appointment has expired (dated May 1st). Major Buist's commission as Surgeon-Captain is dated July 28th, 1891, and that as Major July 28th, 1903. He saw active service in the campaign on the North-West Frontier of India in 1897 with the Malakhand Field Force, being mentioned in dispatches (medal with two clasps).

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

COLONEL O. E. P. LLOYD, V.C., has been appointed Principal Medical Officer of the Jubbulpore and Jhansi Brigades.

Colonel R. H. FOREMAN has been appointed Principal Medical Officer of the Bombay Brigade.

Lieutenant-Colonel OCTAVIUS TODD, M.B., M.Ch., is promoted to be Colonel, vice Colonel B. Montgomerie Blennerhassett, C.M.G., retired April 4th. Lieutenant-Colonel Todd's commission as Major is dated March 6th, 1892, and that of Lieutenant-Colonel March 6th, 1900. Lieutenant-Colonel Todd served in the South African war in 1899-1900 as Principal Medical Officer of a Division, and also as that of the 14th General Hospital. He saw much of the fighting, being engaged in the Relief of Ladysmith, including the action at Vaal Kranz, the operations on the Tugela Heights (February 14th to 27th, 1900), and the action at Pieter's Hill. He also took part in the Natal operations of March to the beginning of June of the same year, including the action at Laing's Nek, as well as in those in the Transvaal. He was twice mentioned in dispatches, and has the Queen's medal with five clasps, and the King's medal with two clasps.

Lieutenant W. C. NIMMO has assumed medical charge of women and children, Marlborough lines, Aldershot.

Lieutenant-Colonel FRANCIS JOSEPH LAMBKIN to be Colonel, under the provisions of Articles 36 and 356 of the Royal Warrant of March 19th, 1906 (dated May 9th). Lieutenant-Colonel Lambkin entered the service as Surgeon on July 30th, 1881, became Surgeon-Major on July 30th, 1893, and Lieutenant-Colonel on July 30th, 1901. He served in the South African war, 1899-1900, and was present at the battle of Colenso, the action at Spion Kop, the engagements of Vaal Krantz and Pieter's Hill, and at the relief of Ladysmith.

INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE.

MAJOR F. J. CRAWFORD has been gazetted to act as Senior Medical Officer, General Hospital, Madras, in the room of Lieutenant-Colonel W. B. Browning, C.I.E., who is proceeding on leave.

The following officers have been appointed to the *personnel* of the Medical Division of the new Military Organization in India:

Principal Medical Officer—Sir T. J. GALLWEY, K.C.M.G., C.B., A.M.S.

Secretaries to Surgeon-General (I.M.S.)—Major W. H. W. ELLIOT, D.S.O., I.M.S. (on leave); Major B. G. SETON, I.M.S. (officiating).

Secretary to Surgeon-General (R.A.M.C.)—Captain E. B. KNOX, R.A.M.C. Assistant-Secretary to Surgeon-General—Assistant-Surgeon J. J. MCDONALD, M.D., I.S.M.D.

Sanitary Officer, Army Head Quarters—Captain H. E. M. DOUGLAS, D.S.O., R.A.M.C.

INFANTRY (MILITIA).

SURGEON-LIEUTENANT-COLONEL T. CARTER, of the 4th Battalion Yorkshire Regiment, is retired, under the conditions of para. 55, Militia Regulations, with permission to retain his rank, and to wear the prescribed uniform, May 5th.

ARMY MEDICAL CORPS (MILITIA).

SURGEON-CAPTAIN SAMUEL M. SLOAN, M.B., Army Medical Reserve of Officers (late Captain, Scottish Command, Glasgow Companies, R.A.M.C. (Volunteers) to be Captain, March 15th.

Supernumerary Lieutenant (Honorary Lieutenant in the Army) G. LANE to be Captain, remaining seconded, March 30th.

RIFLE (VOLUNTEERS).

WALTER FITZPATRICK is gazetted to be Surgeon-Lieutenant in the 5th Volunteer Battalion Devonshire Regiment, under date April 28th.

Supernumerary Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel and Honorary Surgeon-Colonel W. D. WATERHOUSE, V.D., of the 4th Volunteer Battalion Royal Fusiliers, resigns the appointment of Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel (Senior Medical Officer) 2nd London Volunteer Infantry Brigade, April 1st.

Surgeon-Major H. M. RAMSAY resigns his commission in the 14th Middlesex (Inns of Court) Volunteer Rifle Corps, April 9th.

Surgeon-Lieutenant W. A. MALCOLM, M.B., of the 21st Middlesex (Finsbury) Volunteer Rifle Corps, is appointed Surgeon-Captain.

Surgeon-Captain C. BOYD, of the 3rd Volunteer Battalion (Royal West Surrey Regiment), is granted the honorary rank of Surgeon-Major.

Surgeon-Captain C. A. O. OWENS, M.D. (Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel, Senior Medical Officer, Norfolk Volunteer Infantry Brigade), of the 4th Volunteer Battalion Norfolk Regiment, is promoted to be Surgeon-Major, August 1st, 1902.

Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel H. W. ROBERTS, V.D., of the 2nd Volunteer Battalion Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment, is granted the honorary rank of Surgeon-Colonel, April 28th.

Surgeon-Lieutenant B. STRACEY, M.B., resigns his commission in the 1st Volunteer Battalion Leicestershire Regiment, April 28th.

ALEXANDER B. SLOAN, M.D., is appointed to the 4th Volunteer Battalion Scottish Rifles (Cameronians) as Surgeon-Lieutenant, April 28th.

The King has been graciously pleased to confer the Volunteer Officers' Decoration upon the undermentioned officers of the Volunteer Force:

In the Scottish Command (Artillery) Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel WILLIAM R. SEWELL, M.D., of the 1st Renfrew and Dumbarton Royal Garrison Artillery (Volunteers).

In the Southern Command (Artillery) Surgeon-Lieutenant GEORGE C. SEARLE, of the 1st Devonshire Royal Garrison Artillery (Volunteers).

In the Western Command (Rifles) Surgeon-Major JAMES S. WILSON, M.D., of the 2nd Volunteer Battalion South Staffordshire Regiment, and Surgeon-Major and Honorary Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. PACKER, M.D., of the 1st Volunteer Battalion King's (Shropshire Light Infantry).

The military rank of Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel EDWARD CURETON, V.D. (Honorary Surgeon-Colonel), is as now given, and not as stated in the SUPPLEMENT on April 28th.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS (VOLUNTEERS).

JAMES A. H. AITKEN, M.B., of the Highland Light Infantry Bearer Company, to be Lieutenant, April 28th.

Captain J. N. BROWN, M.D., of the 2nd London Bearer Company, is appointed Brigade Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel whilst employed as Senior Medical Officer of the 2nd London Volunteer Infantry Brigade, April 1st.

GEORGE W. CRAIG, of the Worcester and Warwick Bearer Company, is gazetted Lieutenant, April 28th.

Vacancies and Appointments.

VACANCIES.

This list of vacancies is compiled from our advertisement columns, where full particulars will be found. To ensure notice in this column, advertisements must be received not later than the first post on Wednesday morning.

BIRKENHEAD UNION.—Resident Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £120 per annum.

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND HOSPITAL FOR SKIN AND URINARY DISEASES.—Clinical Assistant. Honorarium at the rate of 52 guineas per annum.

BIRMINGHAM GENERAL HOSPITAL.—(1) Assistant Physician. (2) Dermatologist. (3) House-Surgeon. (4) Two Assistant House-Surgeons. Salary for (1), £100; and for (3) and (4) at the rate of £50 and £40 per annum respectively.

BRECKNOCK COUNTY AND BOROUGH INFIRMARY.—Resident House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum.

BRIGHTON: SUSSEX COUNTY HOSPITAL.—Honorary Assistant Physicians.

DUDLEY: GUEST HOSPITAL.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Salary at the rate of £40 per annum.

EAST LONDON HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Shadwell, E.—Dental Surgeon.

ESSEX AND COLCHESTER GENERAL HOSPITAL.—House-Physician. Salary, £60 per annum.

EVELINA HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Southwark.—(1) House-Physician. (2) House-Surgeon. (3) Assistant House-Surgeon. Salary for (1) and (2), £80, and for (3) £70 per annum.

HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN, Soho Square, W.—Surgeon Dentist.

HANTS COUNTY ASYLUM.—Second Assistant Medical Officer (male). Salary, £175 per annum.

LANCASHIRE COUNTY ASYLUM, Winwick.—Locum Tenens Medical Officer. Salary, 4 guineas per week.

LEEDS TUBERCULOSIS ASSOCIATION.—Resident Medical Officer at the Sanatorium, Gateforth. Salary at the rate of £100 per annum.

LIVERPOOL INFIRMARY FOR CHILDREN.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Salary, £60 per annum.

LONDON HOSPITAL, Whitechapel, E.—Surgical Registrar.

MACCLESFIELD GENERAL INFIRMARY.—Junior House-Surgeon. Salary, £50 per annum.

MAIDSTONE: WEST KENT GENERAL HOSPITAL.—Senior House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE INFIRMARY AND EYE HOSPITAL, Hartshill.—Junior House-Surgeon. Salary, £50 per annum.

NORTH-WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Kentish Town Road, N.W.—(1) Resident Medical Officer. (2) Assistant Resident Medical Officer. Salary at the rate of £50 per annum each.

PORTSMOUTH BOROUGH ASYLUM.—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £150, rising to £200 per annum.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.—(1) Assistant to the Clinical Pathologist; Salary, £50 per annum. (2) Junior Obstetric Assistant. (3) Assistant Anaesthetist.

ROYAL WESTMINSTER OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL, King William Street, W.C.—(1) House-Surgeon: honorarium, £25 for six months. (2) Clinical Assistants.

SHEFFIELD: CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.—House-Surgeon for East End Branch. Salary, £70 per annum.

SHEFFIELD ROYAL HOSPITAL.—Male Assistant House-Physician. Salary, £50 per annum.

SHEFFIELD ROYAL INFIRMARY.—(1) Junior Assistant House-Surgeon. (2) Junior House-Physician. Salary, £65 and £60 per annum respectively.

SWANSEA GENERAL AND EYE HOSPITAL.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £75 per annum.

TAUNTON AND SOMERSET HOSPITAL.—Resident Assistant House-Surgeon. Salary at the rate of £[illegible]0 per annum.

VICTORIA HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Tite Street, S.W.—(1) Surgeon to in-patients. (2) House-Surgeon. Honorarium, £25.

WESTERN GENERAL DISPENSARY, Marylebone Road, N.W.—Honorary Surgeon.

WIGAN: ROYAL ALBERT EDWARD INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY.—Junior House-Surgeon. Salary, £80 per annum.

CERTIFYING FACTORY SURGEONS.—The Chief Inspector of Factories announces the following vacancy in the office of Certifying Factory Surgery: Cavendish, co. Suffolk.

APPOINTMENTS.

ADAMS, J. A., M.B., B.Ch.R.U.I., Medical Officer of Health for the Sowerby Urban District.

AIKEN, Acheson, L.R.C.P.and S.Irel., Medical Officer of the Workhouse and Dispensary District of Irvinestown.

ASHWIN, R. H., M.D.Lond., Certifying Factory Surgeon for the Market Weighton District, co. York.

BIRD, P. J. S., B.A., M.D.Dub., Honorary Anaesthetist to the Dental Department, Leeds Public Dispensary.

BLAKENEY, John Henry, M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond., Public Vaccinator for the No. 1 District of the Cheltenham Union, vice Dr. J. F. Johns, resigned.

CARDOZO, S. N., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., District Medical Officer of the South Molton Union.

DE BOINVILLE, V. Chastel, M.B., Ch.B.Edin., Honorary Anaesthetist to the David Lewis Northern Hospital, Liverpool.

DICK, W., L.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., House-Surgeon to the Bradford Children's Hospital.

HARDING, C. H., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., District Medical Officer of the Whittlesey Union.

HARTFORD, A. H. B., L.R.C.P.and S.Irel., Certifying Factory Surgeon for the Christchurch District, co. Hants.

HOWLETT, Bernard, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the Parishes of Ham and Coombe of the Kingston Union.

JAMES, H. W., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Resident Assistant Medical Officer to the Camberwell Parish Infirmary.

LIGHTFOOT, J. P., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Medical Officer of Health of the Leyburn Rural District and Workhouse Medical Officer of the Leyburn Union.

LYS, Henry Grabham, M.D.Lond., M.R.C.P.Edin., Physician to the Royal Victoria Hospital, Bournemouth.

PRINGLE, A. M. N., M.B., C.M.Edin., Medical Officer of Health to the Ipswich Borough and Port.

RADCLIFFE, R. B., M.B., Ch.B., Fourth Resident Medical Officer to the Leeds Public Dispensary.

SHEEHAN, M., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Certifying Factory Surgeon for the Mallow District, co. Cork.

STARK, J. Nigel, M.D., F.F.P.S.Glasg., Surgeon to the Glasgow Samaritan Hospital for Women, vice J. Stuart Nairne, F.R.C.S.E., resigned.

STEAVENSON, A. P., M.D.Edin., District Medical Officer of the Darlington Union.

STRAIN, Arthur C., M.B., Ch.B., Resident Physician, Chalmers Hospital, Edinburgh.

THOMAS, H. Mortimer, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., House-Surgeon to the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, vice Sidney Welham, M.R.C.S.Eng.

WAGGETT, Ernest, M.B., B.C.Cantab., Surgeon to the newly constituted Department for Diseases of the Throat, Ear and Nose at Charing Cross Hospital.

WILKINS, Eric M., M.B., M.R.C.S., Junior Assistant Medical Officer at Monsall Fever Hospital, Manchester.

LEEDS GENERAL INFIRMARY.—The following appointments have been made by the Faculty of the General Infirmary:
Resident Ophthalmic Officer: R. G. Dixon, M.B., Ch.B.Leeds.
Ophthalmic House-Surgeon: P. A. H. Radcliffe, M.B., Ch.B.Vict.
Resident Obstetric Officer: W. E. Brierley, M.B., Ch.B.Vict.
Resident at the Convalescent Homes: Alf. Gough, M.B., Ch.B. Leeds.
House-Physicians: A. L. Walker, M.B., Ch.B.Leeds, and R. A. Veale, B.A.Oxon.
House-Surgeon: W. Edmondson, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is 3s. 6d., which sum should be forwarded in post-office orders or stamps with the notice not later than Wednesday morning, in order to ensure insertion in the current issue.

BIRTHS.

HENDERSON.—On May 4th, at The Elms, Lasswade, the wife of John Henderson, M.B., C.M., of a daughter.

HOLMAN.—On Thursday, May 3rd, at Galeston, Eton Avenue, Hampstead, the wife of Frank Kay Holman, M.D., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of a son.

WILSON.—On May 3rd, at 227, Oldfield Road, Salford, Manchester, to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wilson, M.B. a daughter.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

MONDAY.

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W.C., 8 p.m. General meeting, 8.30 p.m.—Papers: (1) Mr. W. H. Battle: Method of Operation for the Radical Cure of Femoral Hernia. (2) Mr. W. H. Curtis: A Successful Case of Appendicitic Abscess and Multiple Liver Abscess: Appendicectomy and Drainage.

TUESDAY.

PATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, 20, Hanover Square, W., 8.30 p.m.—(1) Papers: Chorion-Epithelioma of Congenital Origin, by Drs. Victor Bonney (jointly with Dr. Schenk), J. Bernstein, Teacher (Glasgow), Williamson, Spilsbury, and Mr. Hicks. (2) Dr. J. Fawcett: Diphtheria of Oesophagus and Bronchi. Cards specimens will also be shown.

WEDNESDAY.

BRITISH BALNEOLOGICAL AND CLIMATOLOGICAL SOCIETY, 20, Hanover Square, W., 5 p.m., General meeting; 5.30 p.m., an address by Dr. Frederick T. Roberts, on Some General Comments on Balneology and Associated Methods; and on Spas.

FRIDAY.

SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF DISEASE IN CHILDREN, 11, Chandos Street, W., 5.30 p.m.—The Wightman Lecture, by Dr. Broca, of Paris, on Appendicitis in Childhood.

POST-GRADUATE COURSES AND LECTURES.

CENTRAL LONDON THROAT AND EAR HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.—Wednesday, 5 p.m. Pathology.

CHARING CROSS HOSPITAL, 4 p.m.—Monday, Mental; Thursday, Medical.

HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Great Ormond Street, W.C., Thursday, 4 p.m.—Congenital Heart Disease.

LONDON SCHOOL OF CLINICAL MEDICINE, Dreadnought Hospital, Greenwich.—The following are the arrangements for next week: Clinical Demonstrations: Monday, 2.30 p.m., Medicine; 3.15 p.m., Surgery; 4 p.m., Throat and Ear. Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Medicine; 3.15 p.m., Surgery; 4 p.m., Skin Diseases. Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Medicine; 3.15 p.m., Surgery; 4 p.m., Ophthalmology. Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Medicine; 3.15 p.m., Surgery; 4 p.m., Radiography. Friday, 2.30 p.m., Medicine; 3.15 p.m., Surgery. Out-patient Demonstrations, Medical, and Surgical, daily at 10 a.m. Ear and Throat, Mondays and Thursdays, at noon. Eye, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 11 a.m. Skin, Tuesdays and Fridays, at noon. Operations, 2.30 daily.

MEDICAL GRADUATES' COLLEGE AND POLYCLINIC, 22, Chenies Street, W.C.—The following clinical demonstrations have been arranged for next week at 4 p.m. each day:

Monday, Skin; Tuesday, Medical; Wednesday, Surgical; Thursday, Surgical; Friday, Ear. Lectures at 5.15 p.m. each day will be given as follows: Monday, (1) Appendicostomy, (2) Tuberculosis of the Caecum. Tuesday, Gastric Ulcer; Wednesday, Dementia Praecox; Thursday, Observations on Treatment.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL FOR THE PARALYSED AND EPILEPTIC, Queen Square, W.C.—Tuesday, 3.30 p.m. Cerebral Tumours. Friday, 3.30 p.m., Cerebral Surgery.

NORTH-EAST LONDON POST-GRADUATE COLLEGE, Tottenham Hospital, N.—The following clinical lectures have been arranged for next week at 4.30 p.m.: Tuesday, Lecture: Diagnosis and Treatment of Ringworm; Thursday, Lecture-demonstration: Electrical Treatment.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HOSPITAL, Gower Street, W.C.—Wednesday, 4 p.m., Clinical Lecture on Types of Pulmonary Tuberculosis from the Point of View of Treatment.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL POST-GRADUATE COLLEGE, Hammersmith Road, London, W.—The following are the arrangements for next week: Monday, 10 a.m., Tropical Medicine; 12 noon, Practical Surgery; 5 p.m., The Examination of the Gastric Contents; Tuesday, 3 p.m., Demonstration in Medical Wards; 5 p.m., Intestinal Obstruction; Wednesday, 5 p.m., Practical Medicine; Thursday, 10 a.m., Tropical Medicine; 12 noon, Practical Surgery; 5 p.m., Practical Surgery; Friday, 5 p.m., Diagnosis of Appendicitis; Saturday, 2 p.m., Demonstration in Medical Wards.

BOOKS, ETC., RECEIVED.

Bulletins et Mémoires de la Société de Médecine et de Chirurgie de Bordeaux. Année 1905. Paris: Masson et Cie; and Bordeaux: Feret et Fils. 1906.

Physiology of the Nervous System. By J. P. Morat. Translated and edited by H. W. Syers, M.A., M.D. London: A. Constable and Co. 1906. 31s. 6d.

Life's Orchestra. By H. Killick. Fifth edition. London: E. Miles, M.A. 1s.

Life's Colours. By H. Killick. London: E. Miles, M.A. 1s. 6d.

The Management of a Plague Epidemic and the Principles on which it should be Based. By E. F. G. Tucker, Captain I.M.S. Calcutta: Thacker, Spink, and Co. 1906. Rs. 1/8.

Elementary First-Aid Handbook and Syllabus of Lectures, being a Synopsis of Beatson's Ambulance Handbook. Glasgow: St. Andrew's Ambulance Association. 1905.

Die Untersuchung der Faeces auf Blut. Von O. Schumm. Jena: G. Fischer. 1906. Mk. 1.50.

Das Reizleitungssystem des Säugetierherzens. Von Dr. S. Tawara. Jena: G. Fischer. 1906. Mk. 10.

Infection, Immunity, and Serumtherapy. By H. T. Ricketts, M.D. Chicago: American Medical Association Press. 1906.

Transactions of the American Ophthalmological Society: Forty-first Annual Meeting, Boston, Mass., 1905. Vol. X, Part III. Hartford: American Ophthalmological Society. 1905.

The British Guiana Medical Annual for 1905. Edited by C. P. Kennard, M.D., M.R.C.S. Fourteenth year of issue. Demerara: "The Argosy" Co., Limited. 1905. 5s.

Praescriptiones Rezept-Taschenbuch für die Praxis. Von Dr. E. Kantorowicz. Berlin: A. Hirschwald. 1906. Mk. 2.

A Manual of Diseases of the Eye. By C. H. May, M.D.; and C. Worth, F.R.C.S.Eng. London: Baillière, Tindall, and Cox. 1906. 10s. 6d.

Textbook of Anatomy. Edited by D. J. Cunningham, F.R.S. Second edition. Edinburgh and London: Young J. Pentland. 1906.

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CALENDAR OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Date.	Meetings to be Held.
MAY.	
11 FRIDAY	HAMPSTEAD DIVISION, *Metropolitan Counties Branch.*
12 SATURDAY	
13 Sunday	
14 MONDAY	
15 TUESDAY	LONDON: Volunteer Subcommittee, 3 p.m. AYLESBURY DIVISION, *South Midland Branch*, Royal Bucks Hospital, 2.30 p.m. FOLKESTONE DIVISION, *South-Eastern Branch*, Hotel Wampach, 8.30 p.m.
16 WEDNESDAY	LONDON: Medico-Political Committee, 3 p.m. (N.B. *Change of Date.*)
17 THURSDAY	BRISTOL DIVISION, *Bath and Bristol Branch*, Medical Library, University College, Bristol, 8 p.m. CARDIFF DIVISION, *South Wales and Monmouthshire Branch*, Annual Meeting. CROYDON DIVISION, *South-Eastern Branch*, Annual Meeting, Croydon General Hospital; Dinner, Greyhound Hotel. REIGATE DIVISION, *South-Eastern Branch*, Cottage Hospital, Redhill, 3.30 p.m.
18 FRIDAY	LONDON: Premises and Library Committee, 3 p.m.
19 SATURDAY	
20 Sunday	
21 MONDAY	
22 TUESDAY	FOLKESTONE DIVISION, *South-Eastern Branch*, Annual Meeting, Hotel Wampach, 7.15 p.m.; Dinner, 8.30 p.m. Meeting of Folkestone, Ashford, and Dover Constituency after annual meeting.

Date.	Meetings to be Held.
MAY *(continued).*	
23 WEDNESDAY	ALTRINCHAM DIVISION, *Lancashire and Cheshire Branch*, Sale Hall (Garden Party by Sir W. H. Bailey). TROWBRIDGE DIVISION, *Bath and Bristol Branch*, Town Hall, Trowbridge, 2.45 p.m.
24 THURSDAY	CITY DIVISION, *Metropolitan Counties Branch*, Annual Meeting, Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street, E.C., 4 p.m. DORSET AND WEST HANTS BRANCH, Annual Meeting, Bournemouth Medical Society's Room, Shaftesbury Hall.
25 FRIDAY	NORTH CUMBERLAND DIVISION, *Border Counties Branch*, Annual Meeting, County Hotel, Carlisle 3.30 p.m. ST. PANCRAS AND ISLINGTON DIVISION, *Metropolitan Counties Branch*, Islington Infirmary, Highgate Hill, 4 p.m. WANDSWORTH DIVISION, *Metropolitan Counties Branch*, Annual Meeting preceding Annual Dinner, Banqueting Hall, Battersea Town Hall, 7 p.m.
26 SATURDAY	
27 Sunday	
28 MONDAY	
29 TUESDAY	LONDON: Metropolitan Branch Council, 5 p.m.
30 WEDNESDAY	BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH, Annual Meeting, Medical Library, University College Bristol, 4.30 p.m. LEICESTER DIVISION, *Midland Branch*, Annual Meeting, Infirmary, Leicester, 4 p.m. NORTH CARNARVONSHIRE AND ANGLESEA DIVISION, *North Wales Branch*, Annual Meeting, British Hotel, Bangor.
31 THURSDAY	

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